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At a Yearly Meeting of Friends, held in Philadelphia, by adjournments, from the twenty-ninth of Third Month to the second of Fourth Month, inclusive, 1926.

Reports were received from all our constituent Quarterly Meetings. In these reports, the following Friends were named as Representatives to this Meeting. All but eight of these attended one or more of our sessions. Reasons for the absence of all of these were given. The list of Representatives, 123 in number, follows:—from Philadelphia, J. Henry Bartlett and others.

The Representatives reported in writing that they had met for the nomination of Clerks, as directed by the Discipline, and proposed John D. Carter and Anna Rhoads Ladd for Clerks, and Francis R. Taylor, Edward W. Evans, Mary R. Williams and Elizabeth B. Jones, for Assistants. These names were considered and approved, and the Friends appointed to serve for one year, or until their successors are chosen.

To embody the exercises which may spread over our sessions, in a report to be submitted later in the week, James G. Vail, Margaret W. Rhoads, Jane W. Bartlett, Richard R. Wood, Hannah Cadbury Pyle and M. Wistar Wood were appointed.

Pursuant to our decision last year, the Quarterly Meetings nominated the prescribed number of Friends to constitute a standing Nominating Committee of the Yearly Meeting. These names were read and approved. It was understood that this committee shall enter upon its service at once, and continue under appointment until the close of our regular sessions next year. (For Committee, see page 140.)

The Indian Committee informed that by death or resignation, they had lost three of their number. The

Nominating Committee was requested to propose to a later session, three Friends to fill these vacancies on the Indian Committee.

The Friends' Fiduciary Corporation informed that according to Article 6 of their charter, it would be in order for this Meeting to nominate members of the Corporation, for a term of three years. The previous nominations were made in 1923. The Nominating Committee was requested to propose to a later session, the names of thirty Friends as the nominees of this Meeting.

The Nominating Committee was requested to present to a future session, the names of four Friends, who, with the two Clerks and the Secretary of this Meeting, shall constitute a Committee on Arrangements, as provided on page 68 of the Discipline.

The Mission Board, through its General Secretary, informed that Japan Yearly Meeting would be in session from Fourth Month 1st to Fourth Month 4th. In a feeling of loving sympathy with Japanese Friends, the Meeting authorized its Secretary and the four Assistant Clerks to prepare a cablegram, to be submitted to a later session for our consideration.

A similar procedure was authorized in the case of the Yearly Meeting of Friends in Germany.

The committee appointed last year to receive and examine communications addressed to this Meeting, reported that twenty-eight of these had been received. To save the time of the Meeting and to provide continuity of thought, the committee had assembled parts of them for our consideration. This digest was read, calling forth expressions of approval of the work of the committee. These vital messages brought vividly before us the problems which are facing our Society in various parts of the world, and the earnest desire of Friends everywhere to be found doing the will of our Heavenly Father and striving to advance His Kingdom among men. It was our feeling that response should be made to some or all of the letters received. The committee which considered these letters,

with the addition of Edith Stratton Platt, Elihu Grant, Stanley R. Yarnall, Alfred C. Garrett, Paul J. Furnas, Richard C. Brown and Marian Haines Emlen, were asked to present to a later session, if way opens, one or more papers which may be sent to those who have so feelingly addressed us. The messages from Japan and Germany were commended to the committee previously appointed to prepare cablegrams to Friends in these countries. The Meeting directed that the letters received or parts of them, as may seem wise to the committee which has examined them, be printed in our Proceedings. (See page 94.)

The Representative Meeting presented an account of its activities since our last session, by means of portions of its Minutes, selected and arranged according to subject, by the Yearly Meeting's Secretary. This Meeting deeply appreciated the careful attention given to many matters closely connected with the welfare of our Society; and its influence for good in the world about us. The general treatment of these subjects was cordially approved.

Four matters were presented which called for the formal action of this Meeting. Under the heading "Dual Membership," a review was given of the steps leading up to the presentation by our late Friend Edward G. Rhoads, of a concern that this Yearly Meeting should officially recognize the Meetings grouped under the name of "Friends' General Conference," as co-ordinate parts of the Society of Friends. After earnest consideration, this Meeting reached the judgment that action in line with this concern should be taken, and adopted the report of the committee of the Representative Meeting, with the portion of our Discipline referred to therein, as parts of the Minutes of this Meeting. The suggestion of the Representative Meeting was thus approved and confirmed. The Clerks were directed to inform Friends' General Conference of this decision.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE REPRESENTATIVE MEETING.

"The Committee with the addition of two members appointed at last session of the Representative Meeting

has given further consideration to the concern introduced by our dear Friend, Edward G. Rhoads, having regard to our relationship to Meetings of Friends' General Conference; which Conference embraces the Yearly Meeting held at Fifteenth and Race Streets, this city, as also those affiliated with it, known as Baltimore, New York, Indiana, Illinois, Genesee and Ohio Yearly Meeting.

"As the situation stands today, we know that Friends of all branches for some years past have labored together in various lines of service both at home and abroad—in harmony and with far-reaching benefits, resulting in a more general acquaintance and closer fellowship.

"We are united in believing that the time has come when it is our Christian duty to meet this perceptible and growing desire for a broader affiliation, so far as we can consistently do so.

"To this end, the Committee would recommend that Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends meeting at Fourth and Arch Streets, recognize that the relationship between our Yearly Meeting and the Yearly Meetings of Friends' General Conference shall be of the same nature as that now existing between our Yearly Meeting and other bodies of Friends generally.

"This does not, however, merge the two Yearly Meetings which meet in Philadelphia either as regards membership, property rights, or organization.

"We would therefore suggest that the third paragraph of the proposed new Discipline, found on page 82, and referring to Certificates and Removals, should be construed to include members of the Meetings of Friends' General Conference.

On behalf of the Committee,
(Signed) ALFRED C. GARRETT, *Clerk.*"

Portions of the Discipline referred to above:—

"When a certificate of removal, or a letter of recommendation on behalf of any person is produced from a meeting of Friends not belonging to our Yearly Meeting,

it is recommended that it be introduced to the meeting through the Overseers, and the Monthly Meeting shall then exercise its judgment as to the reception of such certificate. Its acceptance shall constitute a transfer of membership only.

“When an applicant for membership produces a letter of recommendation from a meeting outside of our Yearly Meeting, or from another religious denomination, it should be referred to the Overseers, who, if satisfied with the situation, shall make a favorable recommendation to the Monthly Meeting.”

Consideration of the other matters referred to this Meeting by the Representative Meeting, was deferred to a later session.

Then adjourned to two o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Thirtieth of the Month and Third of the Week.

The Meeting re-assembled at the appointed hour.

Consideration of the matters referred to us by the Representative Meeting, was now continued.

In the matter of the trusteeship of certain property at Pocono Manor, or the proceeds of the sale thereof, as authorized by Minute of this Meeting in 1924, the enabling Minute proposed by the Representative Meeting, was approved. The sanction of this Yearly Meeting was thus given to the transfer of the trusteeship to Friends' Fiduciary Corporation. The enabling Minute is as follows:—

“James M. Moon, Walter Smedley and Joseph H. Roberts, Trustees appointed by the late George Abbott, of certain property at Pocono Manor (by deed dated January 22nd, 1912, recorded at Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book Vol. 70 at page 686), which property is now represented by the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5000) in cash, as explained in a letter appended hereto, having informed this Meeting of their desire to resign their trusteeship, and of their approval of the appointment of Friends' Fiduciary Corporation as succeeding Trustee to act in their place and stead, and this Meeting

being also informed that the Friends' Fiduciary Corporation is willing to assume the Trust, the Representative Meeting now nominates, and, subject to the approval of the Yearly Meeting, appoints Friends' Fiduciary Corporation to be Trustee of said Trust Fund, in place of the above named James M. Moon, Walter Smedley and Joseph H. Roberts, whose resignation is hereby accepted." (See also Representative Meeting Minutes.)

The proposal to make the Friends' Fiduciary Corporation Trustee of all the Yearly Meeting trust funds, except the Charleston Meeting Estate, was approved. The following Minute proposed by the representative Meeting, relative thereto, was adopted as part of the Minutes of this Meeting. (See page 127.) (See Third Month, 1926, session of Representative Meeting Minutes.)

This Meeting confirmed the appointment of William B. Harvey as Secretary of the Yearly Meeting, for a term of three years, and of George M. Warner, J. Henry Bartlett and Asa S. Wing as an Advisory Committee for the office of the Secretary, for the same term of service.

Three Minutes for visiting Friends, having arrived too late for presentation to the Meeting for Ministers and Elders at its session today, were received and read. Two of these Minutes were issued by Indianapolis Monthly Meeting of Friends, and endorsed by Plainfield (Indiana) Quarterly Meeting, liberating Elden H. Mills and Florence H. Mills, his wife, for service within our limits. The third Minute was issued by Winston-Salem Monthly Meeting, and approved by New Garden Quarterly Meeting, held at Greensboro, North Carolina, liberating Hugh W. Moore to attend the sessions of this Yearly Meeting. The Clerks were directed to prepare, for consideration at a later session, returning Minutes for all of these Friends.

At our session yesterday, and again today, we were favored by the company of a number of Friends, from Syria, Germany, England, Indiana, Ohio, Rhode Island, Baltimore, New York, North Carolina, Nebraska and Tennessee. Some of these presented Minutes at the Meeting of Ministers and Elders on Seventh-day last.

We were glad to welcome all our visiting Friends, wishing to aid them in the carrying forward of any service which our Master may call for at their hands.

The report of the Committee on Race Relations was read, giving an interesting review of their efforts toward a better understanding among all our citizens, and showing the need for unpatronizing friendship for those of other races. Dr. Will W. Alexander, Director of the Commission of Inter-racial Co-operation, gave us a brief address, in response to the visit of two of our number, last year, to the Southern Conference on Inter-racial Co-operation, at Atlanta, Georgia. This Meeting welcomed Dr. Alexander and his message, and warmly approved the work of the committee. It was directed that a copy of this Minute be given to Esther Morton Smith, who plans another visit to the South, this year. (For report, see page 78.)

The following report of the Committee on the Extension of Christian Fundamentals, was presented. Their review of the assistance given to our smaller Meetings, and their faithfulness in distributing our literature where it seemed to be in demand, were very interesting and encouraging to the Meeting. (for report, see page 76.)

The following report of the Committee on the Social Order, was read, bringing to us an interesting review of the efforts fostered by the Committee or its members in studying and explaining the problems related to the subject of their care. The great field in which the relations of men in industry and business are not yet such as Jesus Christ would wish them to be, was outlined, showing that there is a duty in this matter, pressing upon us all. The Committee was encouraged to continue the work in which it is engaged. (For report, see page 52.)

The Lunch Committee made a report, showing the service which they had rendered during the past three years. The term for which this committee was appointed, being about to expire, the Nominating Committee was requested to name to a later session, three Friends to serve for three years, and for six years, respectively, upon

this committee. Much appreciation of the service of the committee and those who assist them, was expressed.

The committee appointed yesterday to prepare cablegrams to Friends in Japan and Germany, submitted the following message. This was approved by the Meeting. The Secretary was directed to forward the cablegrams, which were identical, and as follows:—

“Philadelphia Yearly Meeting now in session, greets you in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

The Nominating Committee was requested to propose to our session on Sixth-day next, the names of Friends to serve as an Auditing Committee for the coming year.

The Nominating Committee was requested to propose to our session on Sixth-day next, the names of Friends to care for communications addressed to this Meeting and received during the year.

We were informed that four members of the Education Committee wished to be released from further service. The Nominating Committee was asked to name to a later session, four Friends to fill the unexpired terms of those who have asked to be released.

Then adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

Morning Session—Thirty-first of the Month and Fourth of the Week.

The Meeting re-assembled near the appointed hour.

The answers of all the Quarterly Meetings to the first four of the Queries contained in the tentative Discipline, in use the past year, were read, and the following summary answers adopted. (See page 23.)

Then adjourned to two o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon Session—Thirty-first of the Month and Fourth of the Week.

The Meeting assembled near the appointed hour.

Consideration of the Queries was now continued. The answers to the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Queries from all the

Quarterly Meetings, were read. Summary answers for these and the seven Supplementary Queries, were adopted. The new forms, and in some degree new content of the Queries, brought the important subjects covered by them before the Meeting with freshness. Our attention was directed to many aspects of the Christian's walk and conversation, if he will indeed follow in his Master's footsteps. (See page 25.)

In connection with the Fifth Query, a concern was introduced, that in view of the widespread discussion of the results of the Eighteenth Amendment, this Yearly Meeting should issue a brief statement of its position. A draft of such a statement was presented. This was approved in sentiment. To make such use of this statement as may appear wise, with liberty to amend it, Henry W. Leeds, Benjamin F. Whitson, Annette G. Way, Morris Linton, Sarah B. Leeds and William B. Harvey were appointed. During the consideration of this subject, our attention was called to the diminished use of alcohol in medicine, some hospitals having discontinued its use entirely as such, and many physicians preferring to use other agents for the same purpose.

The following Minute, prepared by Germantown Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders, relative to our late Friend, Edward G. Rhoads, was forwarded to us by the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, and read. This Meeting approved this tribute to a useful and devoted life, and directed that the Minute be printed as part of our Proceedings. (See page 93.)

The Educational Statistics forwarded by the Quarterly Meetings, were presented. They showed a total number of 908 children between 5 and 20 years of age. The corresponding figure last year was 854. (For statistics, see page 34.)

The following report of the Mission Board was read. This presented to us the growth in the support of missionary effort, within our Meeting, and the need for more

education, especially in regard to matters in the Orient. The school in Japan has been one of the great interests of the Board. The assistance of Japanese Friends in all our concerns in that country is recognized as being of great and increasing value. Need is felt for the discovery of a policy of mutual help among Christians in different lands. This Meeting warmly approved the efforts of the Board in fostering sympathy and understanding between nations, and in striving to spread the Kingdom of God among men. To this end we were reminded that the fervent prayers of those at home are one of the great sources of strength to those more closely engaged in the work abroad. (For Report, see page 82.)

The committee appointed for the purpose last year, proposed the names of twenty Friends, as follows, to constitute the portion of the Mission Board which may be appointed by this Meeting. These names were approved, and the Friends named appointed to the service for the coming three years. (See page 136.)

The Education Committee made the following encouraging report. Brief account was given regarding four schools which have not usually been included in the reports of this committee. Seven schools, under the care of the Committee, with an enrollment of four hundred and eleven pupils, are showing successful operation and commendable growth. All the matters discussed in the report, were of great interest to us. The Meeting warmly approved the work of the Committee. (For report, see page 28.)

Norman A. Baldwin, connected with the Lebanon Hospital, Syria, gave us a brief address, telling of the beginnings of the hospital, and asking that the younger generation of Friends should follow the example of their elders in giving their sympathy and support. This Meeting welcomed Norman A. Baldwin and his message.

Then adjourned to two o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

First of the Fourth Month and Fifth of the Week.

The Meeting assembled at the hour appointed.

The following returning Minutes for our visiting Friends, Elden H. and Florence H. Mills, and Hugh W. Moore, were read and approved. The Clerks and Secretary were directed to sign them as expressive of the feeling of this Meeting. (For Minutes, see page 108.)

The American Friends' Service Committee made a stirring verbal report, through two of its officers, showing that they were keenly conscious of the desire in many parts of the world, for a spiritual message adapted to the times. They were endeavoring to meet this demand by pointing to Jesus Christ and His way of life, as the only remedy for the unrest and heartache of the world. Their attention has been especially directed to the Orient, where there seems to be an unusual openness to receive the message of Christ as apprehended by Friends. In a warm sense of sympathy and approval, this Meeting wished to encourage the Friends' Service Committee to continued faithfulness in its great task.

We were informed that our Friends Rufus M. Jones and Elizabeth B. Jones, with their daughter Mary Hoxie Jones, are expecting soon to start on an extended journey of religious service. The following Minute was adopted, as expressive of our feeling of unity, sympathy and encouragement. The Clerks and Secretary were directed to sign the Minute in duplicate, on behalf of this Meeting.

Our Friends expect to visit China, India, Palestine, Syria and parts of Europe, in the course of their journey. (For Minute, see page 114.)

Emily Oliver, of Ras-el-Metn, Syria, widely known and beloved among us, commended to our young Friends the opportunities for service for Christ in the East. The present is a critical time when deeds of love are understood and bear unexpected fruit in the healing of bruised spirits.

A loving message from the Yearly Meeting of Friends in Germany, commending to us Hans Gramm and his

wife Florence Gramm, who expected to attend this Meeting, was received and read. This message was referred to the committee appointed at an earlier session to make response to those who have addressed us in Christian love. This Meeting warmly welcomed Hans and Florence Gramm among us at this time.

The following interesting report of the Indian Committee was received and read. The Meeting was gratified by the hopeful tone of the report, especially that part relating to the newer portion of its work in Oklahoma. The faithfulness of the Committee and others connected with the school at Tunesassa, was warmly appreciated. (For report, see page 46.)

The Peace Committee presented the following interesting report, reviewing the marked progress which has been made in the cause of Peace since their last report, and the efforts being put forth to extend still further this portion of our Christian message. This Meeting cordially approved the work of the Committee in a cause which has long been one of our important testimonies, and is also one in which the world at large, at this time, is vitally concerned. (For report, see page 65.)

The following report of the Westtown Committee, with duly audited financial statement, was presented. This review of the operation of Westtown School during the year, its difficulties, its successes, and its efforts to maintain the high ideals of scholarship and spiritual growth which reflect the concern of this Meeting, was interesting and satisfactory. Much appreciation was expressed of the work of the Committee, and those at the School, who are working together earnestly, for the best development of those under their care, in body, mind and spirit. (For report, see page 36.)

Then adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

Second of the Month and Sixth of the Week.

The Meeting assembled at the hour appointed.

The Committee appointed last year to co-operate with our younger Friends, presented the following satisfactory

report, showing their part in the activities which are designed to increase the fellowship and spiritual growth of young Friends. The Committee was continued in its service for another year. (For report, see page 73.)

The Committee on Revision of the Discipline made the following report. The Meeting deeply appreciated the service which this Committee has rendered, and approved the suggestions of the Committee, as follows:—That the Discipline, hereafter to be known as the book of Faith and Practice, in its revised form, should be adopted, with the addition to the Foreword of three verses from the Gospel of John (Chapter 10, verses 11 and 17, and Chapter 11, verse 25); that the form tentatively adopted last year, shall continue in force until the new book is printed and circulated; that the Committee be released except that portion of it known as the Editorial Committee, which shall be continued and authorized to publish the book. The Treasurer was authorized to pay for its publication from the funds of the Yearly Meeting. (For report, see page 87.)

The Committee appointed to consider the loving messages received earlier in the week, reported drafts of responses to these, with a letter to Szechwan Yearly Meeting, West China, from whom no message had been received at this time. These were approved in sentiment. The Committee which prepared them was directed to put them in final form. The Clerks and Secretary were directed to sign these letters on behalf of this Meeting. The Committee was authorized to write a special letter to Friends in Vienna, in response to one just received from them and read. (For letters issued, see page 108.)

The Committee appointed at an earlier session, in the matter of our position relative to the use of intoxicants, presented a draft of such a statement. This was approved. The Clerks and Secretary were directed to sign it on behalf of the Meeting. (For statement, see page 94.)

The Friends' Fiduciary Corporation made report as follows, showing the increasing number of trusts under their care, (For report, see page 89.)

The Nominating Committee proposed John T. Emlen, Isaac P. Miller, J. Henry Scattergood, and Alice H. Matlack, to act with the two Clerks and the Secretary of this Meeting, as a Committee on Arrangements. The service of this Committee shall begin at the close of our regular sessions this year, and continue until their successors are chosen, next year. The nominations were approved.

To fill the unexpired terms of those who have asked to be released from the Education Committee, the following were proposed by the Nominating Committee:—E. Newbold Cooper, Olive R. Haviland, Marian L. Ivins, and Emily S. Palmer. These names were approved.

The Nominating Committee proposed Hannah G. Dewees, Jesse G. Forsythe, and John E. Lippincott, as members of the Indian Committee, to fill the places made vacant by death or resignation. These names were approved and the Friends appointed to serve until the next general appointment of the Indian Committee.

The Nominating Committee suggested the names of Anna M. Darnell, Lydia B. Smedley, and Mary Ellen Stratton, to serve on the Lunch Committee for three years, and Mertie G. Baker, Cara Gibbons Balderston, and Mary F. Wistar, to serve for six years. These nominations were approved.

The Nominating Committee proposed the following as the nominees of this Meeting for membership in the Friends' Fiduciary Corporation. The list of names was approved. The Clerks were directed to furnish a copy of this Minute to the Secretary of Friends' Fiduciary Corporation. (See page 135.)

To receive, acknowledge and examine communications addressed to this Meeting, during the year, and to make suggestions regarding them to our session next year, the Nominating Committee proposed the following. These names were approved. (See page 138.)

The report of the Auditing Committee, including that of the Treasurer, was received, and read in part. Their

recommendations as to the amounts to be allocated to the several committees, as to the amount to be raised for the use of the Meeting this year (\$27,000), and as to the appropriation for general expenses, of \$2,500 of the income from the Anna Cresson Fund, were all approved. (For reports, see page 115.)

The Auditing Committee appointed last year, proposed Jonathan M. Steere as Treasurer of this Meeting, succeeding William T. Elkinton, released at his own request. This nomination was confirmed. Much appreciation of the long and faithful service of William T. Elkinton, the retiring Treasurer, was expressed. The following Minute, suggested by the incoming Treasurer, was adopted:—

“The transfer of the books of the Treasurer and all arrangements as to the opening of bank accounts and as to the care and management of securities, are referred to the Representative Meeting with power to act.”

Subordinate Meetings were directed to forward their respective shares of \$27,000 (the sum named in the report of the Auditing Committee) to Jonathan M. Steere, Treasurer of this Meeting.

As a provision of our discipline, this Meeting directed that the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting shall be a member, *ex officio*, of the Representative Meeting. It was understood that this shall become effective at once, and that a statement in harmony with this decision shall be included in the book of Faith and Practice.

To examine the accounts of Jonathan M. Steere, Treasurer, before our session next year, to examine the securities belonging to this Meeting, in his care, to suggest, after conference with him, a sum to be raised for the use of the Meeting next year and the sums to be allocated to the several committees, and to make recommendations to our session next year, the following were suggested by the Nominating Committee, and approved by this Meeting. (See page 138.)

The Nominating Committee was directed to consider, and be prepared to report to our session next year, the

names of Friends to serve on the Standing Committees whose terms will expire at that time.

The committee appointed to review the exercises of the Meeting; presented a paper, which was approved and adopted as part of the Minutes of this Meeting.

Minute of Exercises.

Consciously to seek Divine guidance in all the business of the Yearly Meeting, as in all the tasks of daily life, has been our earnest desire throughout this session. Religion is life; and every act of life we should seek to make an act of worship.

Earnest Christian people, though of many minds, are all actuated by the desire that their lives may help to make the Kingdom of God a present reality. A message from the Meeting of Ministers and Elders, reminding us of this and advising us to take time to let the Spirit enter our deliberations, helped us to proceed with a sense of fundamental unity.

The desire to be "brothers one of another," in that inclusive sense manifested in the life of Jesus, found expression in the acceptance of the recommendation of the Representative Meeting looking toward co-ordination of the branches of our Society. Forbearance and love evinced amid a diversity of opinions was cause for great thankfulness.

As the activities of the Yearly Meeting were reviewed, we were newly impressed with our individual responsibility for the work of the Church. In the struggle against race prejudice, the effort to bring Christian standards into industry, the work for peace or against unchristian laws, for education, or any of our corporate projects, the group effort must arise from personal consecration and individual concern. For this there is needed something greater than an effort of the will. Like Brother Lawrence, we must practice the presence of God. The spirit of Christ, and that alone, can overcome all the difficulties with which we are confronted; but we must experience

the working of that spirit in our own lives if we are to do our part in the Master's service. We live in a busy world which will distract us beyond hope of usefulness unless we individually seek and draw upon the power which comes from turning inward, as Jesus did, in personal devotion. Thus we may hope, amid the stress of outward things, to achieve the settled calm of an invulnerable faith. Thus shall we be able, together with our corporate activities, to cultivate the ministry of direct personal contacts which shall reveal the spirit of Christ as it was shown in the beginning. A radiant friendliness is not only love, but power.

But the spirit which solves all problems cannot be attained through the emotions only. The emotion of love for our fellow-men, undirected by the intelligence, leads to frustration and disillusionment. This we take to be the meaning of a phrase in a letter received from another Yearly Meeting, which said, "Words without spiritual reality behind them endanger other souls." Hard, persistent intellectual effort is part of the duty of the loyal follower of Jesus. The servant of God is called to study, to seek, to teach, as well as to believe, to pray and to preach. For this reason we desire for all our members greater individual faithfulness. Referring a question to a committee is too often a way of escaping work; our Society will not be doing its full duty, accomplishing all that our Master desires of us, until every member is doing his share in some of the many ways in which the Church is called upon to serve.

The outreaching, aggressive concern for others, which is the driving force of Christian faith, comes not from ideas about God, but from *experience of God*. It must transcend the boundaries of color and social strata; it must make us willing to be uncomfortable in accepting the implications of Christian teaching; it must give us the courage to attack great tasks. When we feel inadequate and unworthy, we should remember that the fruition of Christian lives has often come from accepting seemingly impossible burdens; from adventurous endeavor to heal

the heartaches of the world. The inflow of Divine power into our lives increases with the outflow from us of a concern for others; and as we accept burdens in the Master's service, we can confidently expect to receive power to bear them. We rejoice in the evidences that this faith is leading individuals among us to devote their time and strength to courageous efforts to bring it to all the world.

Our own problems and duties are not unlike those with which our fellow-Christians, Friends or not, are wrestling. The Epistles received from other groups of Friends express the longing for the essential unity underlying the necessarily different interpretations of Jesus which different groups in many parts of the world present. We have felt drawn to our fellow-Christians of all beliefs through common interest in great common problems. We rejoice in this unity; and pray that it may be developed until every human being in the world is making, to the best of his ability, his particular contribution to the service of Christ.

This contribution is different with each individual. Some of us return from these inspiring meetings to daily tasks that seem humble and unimportant. The Yearly Meeting is concerned that each of us be encouraged by the realization that no service, undertaken for the Master, is unimportant; that we be strengthened by a sense of the necessity of every task to which we may be called in His Name; and that we do loyally, and with the power that comes from joyful consecration, whatever is given to us to do in advancing the Kingdom of God.

Concluding Minute.

The adventure and the joy to be found in the service of Jesus Christ were constantly before us in our sessions. The greatness and the unexpectedness of the opportunities for service that always await us as we pursue the common tasks of business and of the household, the simplicity of the deeds of human helpfulness that open the hearts of men to God in the far distant countries of

the world,—these have called us persuasively to increasing dedication to our Father who is in Heaven, Hallowed be His name.

The Meeting then concluded, to meet at the appointed time next year, if consistent with the Divine Will.

JOHN D. CARTER,
ANNA RHOADS LADD,
Clerks.

Report of the Representatives.

To the Yearly Meeting:

In accordance with instructions given at last Yearly Meeting, the Representatives appointed by our seven Quarterly Meetings were called to meet in Philadelphia on Third Month 15th last, for the purpose of nominating Clerks and Assistant Clerks to the Yearly Meeting this year. The Secretary of the Yearly Meeting read the certified list of Representatives.

Of the 123 Friends appointed, 80 were in attendance. Reasons were assigned for the absence of 12 others.

Those appointed from one Quarterly Meeting conferred together and appointed certain of their appointees to represent them at the session on the 15th inst. No one was present from one distant Monthly Meeting.

A Clerk to serve for the day was appointed by the Representatives.

After some discussion regarding the principles involved in the new method of procedure, the following nominations were made, viz:—

For Clerks:—John D. Carter and Anna Rhoads Ladd.
For Assistant Clerks:—Francis R. Taylor, Mary R. Williams, Edward W. Evans and Elizabeth B. Jones.

These nominations were separately considered and fully united with. Pursuant to the provisions of the new tentative "Faith and Practice", I hereby certify to the Yearly Meeting, the above nominees.

For the Representatives,

J. HENRY BARTLETT,

Clerk for the Day.

Philadelphia, Third Month 15, 1926.

Summary Answers to Queries.

First—

With a few exceptions, noted in all but one of the reports, our stated meetings for worship and discipline have been held regularly, with additional meetings at Eagles Mere, in the Pocono Mountains and elsewhere, and some by special appointment. Some Friends living at a distance from any regular meeting-place, have been concerned to have gatherings for worship in their homes. Most of our resident members attend on First-days. Meetings held at other times are smaller. We are often favored by the company of those not in membership with us. Special mention is made by several of the Quarterly Meetings, of the stimulating attendance of children from near-by schools. The hour for gathering is observed by most of our members. Our meetings frequently are occasions of true devotion and earnest seeking for communion with the Holy Spirit, whose living presence is often felt. Many Friends are willing to accept their share of responsibility in meeting affairs, but a fresh dedication on the part of all of us and a burning desire to be of service to our Master, would strengthen our meetings and more often prevent the cares of home and business from coming between us and the hour of worship.

Second—

With very few exceptions, our members seek to live in Christian love one toward another, in a forgiving spirit, and with consideration for the feelings and reputation of others. When differences arise, sincere endeavors are made to end them.

Third—

We are concerned to uphold and cherish a waiting, spiritual worship, and a free Gospel ministry, prompted and guided by the Holy Spirit and exercised in His fresh life and power. We believe that there is a sincere desire for the growth and development of the spiritual gifts

which may be bestowed upon any of our members. More care to give expression to this concern, and a wider sense of responsibility for the ministry, we believe would be helpful.

Fourth—

There is a widespread and earnest desire among us, to express in our daily contacts with men, something of the love and brotherhood which Jesus Christ lived and taught. Some effort is made to extend to others our message as Friends. In an increasing degree we embrace opportunities to co-operate with others in spreading the Kingdom of God among men.

Fifth—

Many of our members, in their daily lives, are concerned to exemplify the sincerity and simplicity which accord with the Gospel of Christ. The reverent reading of the Holy Scriptures is a common practice in many of our homes, but more of such reading would be beneficial and would prove a blessing that should be shared by all. Most Friends are watchful to choose recreations which are helpful to themselves and others, and guard against worldliness, self-indulgence and display. The handling and use of intoxicating drinks and habit-forming drugs are avoided and actively discouraged by our membership, with few exceptions.

Sixth—

With few exceptions, our members faithfully uphold our testimonies against oaths and military training. While one Meeting reports that some members do not yet hold our convictions against participation in war under all circumstances, there is gratifying evidence of continued serious consideration, both by individuals and meetings, of personal responsibility in time of actual warfare,—an exercise which will, we trust, be conducive to an ever-increasing and cumulative conviction upon the part of our individual members. Our members generally, avoid

gambling, betting, and the more open forms of speculation. We feel that we need to guard against the more subtle forms of speculation in business transactions, from which we have not been entirely clear.

Seventh—

Those having children under their care are mindful of their responsibilities in training them in the observance of religious duties, and in encouraging them to choose helpful reading-matter and associates. The matter of suitable recreation and amusement, is one that deserves careful consideration. Our children are the objects of the loving concern of the meetings to which they belong. Although this has found expression in various ways, it is hoped that more effective means may be developed. By First-day Schools in a number of communities, by Young Friends' Fellowship Groups, and by loving care, counsel and example, effort is being made to strengthen the religious lives of our younger members, and to give them a knowledge of the Scriptures and the principles of Friends.

Eighth—

We believe that there is a good degree of concern and effort to keep to moderation in our standards of living and pursuit of business. Realizing that spiritual growth, family life and the interests of the church and the public welfare, have a just claim upon them, many among us devote a considerable share of their time and energy in service for others. Most of our members are punctual to their promises, just in the payment of their debts, and honorable in all their dealings.

Summary Answers to Supplementary Queries.

First—

REBECCA D. MARIS, an Elder, and member of Wilmington Monthly Meeting, deceased Third Month 31, 1925.

MARY C. ROBERTS, an Elder, and member of Chester Monthly Meeting, New Jersey, deceased Fifth Month 24, 1925, in the seventy-fourth year of her age.

SARAH T. HOUSE, an Elder, and member of Birmingham Monthly Meeting, deceased Seventh Month 23, 1925, in the ninety-fourth year of her age.

SARAH NICHOLSON, an Elder, and member of Haddonfield Monthly Meeting, deceased Ninth Month 28, 1925, in the eighty-ninth year of her age.

ANNA M. WHITSON, an Elder, and member of Chester Monthly Meeting, Pennsylvania, deceased Eleventh Month 29, 1925, in the fifty-seventh year of her age.

CATHERINE JACOB, a Minister, and member of the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Philadelphia for the Western District, deceased First Month 3, 1926, in the eighty-sixth year of her age.

EDWARD G. RHOADS, a Minister, and member of Germantown Monthly Meeting, deceased First Month 24, 1926, in the sixty-third year of his age.

Second—

No new meetings have been established, and none discontinued, except the mid-week meetings at Elklands and Greenwood, during Twelfth, First, Second and Third Months.

Third—

Records showing all changes in our membership have been kept, compared, and reported, as called for by this Query. Lists of attenders and other classes of non-members, as mentioned, have not been completely kept in some cases.

Fourth—

Assistance has been given to those in need of it, as the cases appeared to require. Their children have been helped in securing a school education.

Fifth—

We have ten schools under the care of committees of Monthly or Preparative Meetings, and taught by teachers of Christian character, who are in sympathy with the ideals of Friends. In one Monthly Meeting which does not maintain a school, a committee is under appointment, whose duty it is to care for the educational interests of the meeting and the children belonging thereto.

Sixth—

Care has been taken to deal with those who have been delinquent in conduct, in a loving and tender spirit, with a desire for their restoration. In the few cases requiring it, concern has been felt that righteous judgment be placed.

Seventh—

The Queries addressed to subordinate meetings have been read and answered therein, as directed. With slight exception, the Advices also have been read at the times prescribed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Report of the Committee on Education.

To the Yearly Meeting:

At the outset of our report we include the probable receipts and payments for the fiscal year 1925-26 as estimated by our Treasurer, Third Month 19, 1926.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts.

Balance Ninth Month 1, 1925, increased by	
\$2,550 temporarily advanced to Gift Fund	\$3,238.00
Yearly Meeting's Appropriation	5,000.00
Interest	128.00
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	\$8,366.00

Payments.

For services of Superintendent, including travel-	
ing, secretarial and office expenses	\$2,700.00
Salary and expenses of Special Teachers	1,300.00
Summer School expenses of Teachers	610.00
Tests and measurements, health work in	
schools, expenses connected with teachers'	
meetings, and miscellaneous expenses	579.00
Appropriations to schools	150.00
Estimated balance Eighth Month 31, 1926, in-	
creased by sums which may have been	
advanced temporarily to Gift Fund	3,027.00
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	\$8,366.00

The Gift Fund now consists of a cash balance of \$190 and bonds worth about \$3,855. There is owing to the General Account \$2,800, so that the net amount of the Gift Fund is about \$1,245. The net interest receipts in

the Gift Fund during the year after paying interest on indebtedness will amount to about \$127.

We request from the Yearly Meeting an appropriation of \$5,000 the same as last year. In order that the committee may render adequate service to our growing schools, it will probably not be long before we shall feel it necessary to ask the Yearly Meeting for a larger appropriation.

Two years ago you expressed a desire for a report on the various educational activities as conducted by Friends of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. Your committee is hoping to make a complete survey of these institutions in the near future. At this time, however, we are presenting in conjunction with our own report the following data from the four Monthly Meeting schools that do not report to the Yearly Meeting.

Germantown Friends' School is administered by a committee appointed by the Preparative Meeting. The enrollment is 612 of whom 119 are Friends, 27 have one parent a Friend, and 25 are closely connected with Friends by family and association. The teaching and office staff number 45 of whom 24 are Friends. The Intermediate and High School pupils, numbering 385 regularly attend mid-week meeting.

Friends' Select School is under the management of a committee appointed jointly by the two Monthly Meetings. There are 453 pupils of whom about 47 are Friends and many others are more or less closely connected therewith. The staff numbers 35 of whom 25 are Friends. All children and teachers except kindergarten attend mid-week meeting.

Moorestown Friends' School is under a joint committee appointed by the Monthly Meetings of both branches of Friends. There are 263 pupils of whom 42 per cent. are Friends; a staff of 19 of whom 11 are Friends. Beginning with Third Grade, the pupils attend mid-week meeting.

Haverford Friends' School is under a committee appointed by the Monthly Meeting. It ends with Sixth

Grade. It has 125 pupils of whom 2 are Friends and 3 have one parent a Friend. The staff numbers 12 of whom 2 are Friends. The children do not attend mid-week meeting as the meeting-house is occupied by the Haverford College boys.

Before entering upon the report of the seven schools under our immediate care, we would again point out to *each* one of you your ownership in *each* of these seven schools and as owners or stockholders, to be earnest in your efforts to make their work more effective and far reaching.

This year we have a total enrollment of 411 pupils as against 354 of last year, in spite of the fact that several schools have made appreciable raises in the cost of tuition; 82 of these children are Friends.

Twenty of our 30 teachers are Friends, 12 being members of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting.

Within the past ten years Media School has grown from 10 children under the care of one teacher to 66 pupils with 5 teachers. This school is now needing more room and better lunch-room facilities.

Haddonfield, with 88 children on the roll, has outgrown her quarters, having doubled her enrollment in the same period of time.

The committee at Atlantic City, with a vision of greater service to the community, is considering plans for the enlargement of the school plant so that they will be able to care for the increasing number of children. This school has 94 on the roll.

At Frankford there are 22 children. Here we have the example of a meeting that, with no Friends' children of primary school age, has nevertheless, maintained there through the years a good school for those not in membership with them. Truly Frankford has set for us all an example of fine Christian service.

Lansdowne, with an enrollment of 97, also tells a tale of outgrown quarters, in spite of the fact that they house their kindergarten, just new this year, in another building.

We are more and more convinced that one of the surest ways of building up a school is to maintain a kindergarten under the direction of the best teacher available. Quoting from the report of our superintendent, Olive R. Haviland, "We need to foster the kindergarten idea and provide for it space, sunshine, and teachers who have something of the mother in them."

At Downingtown we have a model school building and fine equipment, a most generous committee always on the alert to see that the teacher is comfortable and happy. In this school the children are made to feel themselves a real part of the mid-week meeting. It is cause for regret that the influence of this earnest group combined with that of a teacher of fine qualifications whose chief concern is for the religious life of all children, does not touch more of the life of the community than the 13 pupils enrolled in the school.

This year Fallsington registers 31 pupils, 10 more than last year. Here Friends have, at considerable expense, made some much needed repairs to their building and have added materially to their equipment, so that now they have attractive rooms in which their children may work.

Advantageous as these changes are, the greatest asset to the school lies in the fact of their having the services of two experienced and gifted teachers. One of these, a member of the meeting and the community, came with a living concern and a clear vision to give to the children of the meeting and the neighborhood a spiritual message in their every-day school life. The influence upon youthful minds of such a Quaker outpost can not be measured.

Friends, we must realize, that just as we cannot have an unskilled or mediocre physician for the physical healing and up-building of our children, no more should we be willing to place in our school, teachers who are not highly qualified for their position and who do not have a deep concern for the moral and spiritual growth of their charges.

One phase of the work in these schools which should be noted is the daily training of the children in thoughts of peace, internationalism, and a love and consideration for their brothers of other races and countries; from such lessons they frequently arrange special programmes with a truly spiritual message for the interested parents and friends, who in increasing numbers are attending these occasions.

There are various reasons for the increasing interest of the parents and also for our larger enrollment. In most cases we are offering better educational facilities and more attractive quarters than formerly.

In some instances Parent-Teachers' Associations have made us much more a part of the community and given the parents a feeling of personal ownership in the schools, thus working up a loyal clientele. Again quoting from our superintendent's report: "As we look over our schools we can but feel that in nearly every one of them, time and thought invested have made rich returns—A devoted group of teachers of more than average ability and personality, with the backing of interested members of the committees and parents, who have a concern for Friendly education, are the factors that have built up our schools. I believe that all of these today, we have in greater power, when the only thing that is lacking is money a school should have no excuse for lack of development."

You have noticed in our financial statement the item set aside for special teachers. This year as last, we have the good fortune to have the art work in most of our schools under the care of seniors from the School of Industrial Art, with the principal, Edmundsen Hussey, taking a personal interest in each school.

Harriet Gordon, who has charge of the vocal music at Friends' Select School, is conducting this course very successfully in our Yearly Meeting Schools.

In some instances a special teacher is also provided for nature work.

Another item in our budget is teachers' meetings—these are arranged by Olive R. Haviland. At each meeting a new subject is discussed, often under the leadership of especially qualified instructors. Some of the lessons this year have been on the teaching of penmanship, geography, the use of color and reading.

One of the very best investments that we make out of the Yearly Meetings appropriation is the money placed in the hands of teachers, not eligible to the T. Wistar Brown Teachers' Fund, for their summer school courses; from this we received almost immediate returns in increased power and enthusiasm which they bring into their work, after one or two terms in summer schools.

For some time Olive R. Haviland has felt that she should give up her work, as superintendent of our Yearly Meeting Schools. It is with sincere regret that we now accede to her request. We consider that we are fortunate indeed in being able to engage Margaret S. James for this important position. She is a teacher of wide experience and very much at home in the Yearly Meeting Schools, having been principal of the Lansdowne School; she has also taught at Friends' Select School, and has had the broadening experience of two years' work with the Friends' Mission in Japan. Since her return she has been studying at Teachers' College of Columbia University, giving special attention to the study of school supervision. By the end of summer she will have completed her course there.

We feel that Philadelphia Yearly Meeting owes a great debt of appreciation and gratitude to Olive R. Haviland, who with her untiring efforts, her earnest consecration to the work, her instinctive mother intuition of the needs of childhood and her great outlook for the opportunities for the development of progressive education in our Yearly Meeting Schools, has done more than we can estimate for their up-building.

In bringing our report to a close we want as a committee to express our concern for a deeper and more consecrated religious education for our children, for the greater

appreciation of the opportunities for Christian service in the mid-week meetings that our children attend, and that as Friends' schools we should have an especial message for our communities.

The real reason and urge for our existence should be, not primarily for the teaching of Peace, not Internationalism, nor living up to the requirements of a Christian Social Order, but that here and now we have the opportunity of building into the lives of these children a longing for and a knowledge of an inner, Divine leading or light, and an obedience to this Light. Then all things else will be added.

On behalf of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting's Committee on Education.

[Signed]

CLEMENT B. WEBSTER,
Chairman.

MARY R. EVANS,
Secretary.

Educational Statistics as of First Month 1st, 1926

Whole number of children between 5 and 20 years, Phila. 168, Abington 205, Concord 225, Western 32, Caln 35, Burl. and Bucks 58, Had. and Salem 185.....	908
In schools under care of Monthly or Prepar. Meetings, Phila. 23, Abington 92, Concord 34, Western 0, Caln 5, Burl. and Bucks 14, Had. and Salem 58..	226
At Westtown Boarding School, Phila. 23, Abington 14, Concord 76, Western 5, Caln 6, Burl. and Bucks 8, Had. and Salem 35..	167
In other schools under care of Friends, Phila. 3, Abington 1, Concord 19, Western 0, Caln 0, Burl. and Bucks 1, Had. and Salem 15..	39
In colleges under care of Friends, Phila. 11, Abington 6, Concord 7, Western 0, Caln 0, Burl. and Bucks 0, Had. and Salem 5...	29

Total number in schools and colleges under care of Friends,	
Phila. 60, Abington 113, Concord 136, Western 5,	
Caln 11, Burl. and Bucks 23, Had. and Salem	
113.....	461
Number in Public Schools,	
Phila. 50, Abington 22, Concord 46, Western 17,	
Caln 18, Burl. and Bucks 24, Had. and Salem	
50.....	225
In other schools not under care of Friends,	
Phila. 36, Abington 14, Concord 11, Western 0,	
Caln 2, Burl. and Bucks 3, Had. and Salem 4...	70
In colleges not under care of Friends,	
Phila. 6, Abington 9, Concord 12, Western 3,	
Caln 0, Burl. and Bucks 2, Had. and Salem 9...	41
Total in schools and colleges not under care of Friends,	
Phila. 92, Abington 45, Concord 69, Western 20,	
Caln 20, Burl. and Bucks 29, Had. and Salem 61..	336
Number considered too young to attend school,	
Phila. 4, Abington 35, Concord 9, Western 2,	
Caln 2, Burl. and Bucks 4, Had. and Salem 5...	61
Number who have finished school,	
Phila. 8, Abington 9, Concord 6, Western 5,	
Caln 1, Burl. and Bucks 1, Had. and Salem 2...	32
Number temporarily out of school,	
Phila. 3, Abington 3, Concord 5, Western 0,	
Caln 1, Burl. and Bucks 1, Had. and Salem 2..	15
Number about whom no information has been obtained,	
Phila. 1, Abington 0, Concord 0, Western 0,	
Caln 0, Burl. and Bucks 0, Had. and Salem 2..	3
Whole number of children as above.....	908

Additional Information—

Children under 5 attending schools: Phila. 4, Abington 3, Concord 1, Western 0, Caln 0, Burl. and Bucks 0, Had. and Salem 1.

Young men and women over 20 in colleges or technical schools: Phila. 24, Abington 12, Concord 20, Western 0, Caln 0, Burl. and Bucks 4, Had. and Salem 25.

Total number of all ages attending colleges or technical schools: Phila. 42, Abington 27, Concord 82, Western 0, Caln 0, Burl. and Bucks 4, Had. and Salem 40.

Annual Report of the Westtown Committee to Philadelphia Yearly Meeting for the School Year 1925-1926.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Whatever may have been the case in earlier times, the operation of a boarding school is now an expensive undertaking. It involves not only tuition and living expenses but also such items as oversight of the pupils outside of school hours, care of their health and athletic activities, and the upkeep of an extensive establishment: campus, dormitories, school-rooms, gymnasiums and dwellings for the faculty. The teaching must be as good as that of the best day schools; the living accommodations such as to satisfy the requirements of the times.

The usual financial statement, showing receipts and disbursements in detail is attached as an appendix to this report. The accounts of the school have been audited by certified accountants, and the securities examined by the Finance Committee.

Excluding from income account voluntary contributions for running expenses, the operation of the school for the year ended Sixth Month 30, 1925, showed a deficit of \$9,690. However, after applying the donations received for current operation, viz., \$7,625, and the income earned by the Improvement Fund, viz., (which cannot be counted on for future years) the deficit was converted into a credit balance of \$1,915.29. Finally, an appropriation of \$2,000 towards the cost of the improvements to the dairy barn resulted in a net deficit of \$84.72, exclusive of farm operation.

For the present year, the budget indicates a further increase in the operating cost, and, were it not for the assistance, received and expected, from friends of the school, we would be faced with a deficiency of about \$17,000. The Committee, in accordance with a pre-arranged plan, is making an earnest effort to obtain voluntary contributions in an amount sufficient to balance the budget, but it is doubtful whether this method of administration can be depended upon as a permanent policy.

The cost of operation is now estimated at \$167,000. Assuming an average enrollment equivalent to two hundred pupils, this indicates a cost per pupil of \$833 per year, exclusive of the rental value of the plant.

A comparison with the figures of twenty-five years ago is striking. The cost of provisions has more than doubled. Salaries now reach nearly four times their total in 1901. Operating expense, as a whole, is three and one-half times what it was then. Income from Endowment is, roughly speaking, five times as great. In 1901 the charge for pupils was \$180 per year.

The Committee, after a careful analysis of the situation has decided to increase the charge for board and tuition for 1926-27, from \$400 (the present rate) to \$550. While this increase of \$150 may seem large to many of us, yet it is, in fact, only effective as respects a part of the school's patrons. It is very strongly felt by many of the Committee that those who *can* pay more adequately should do so, while those to whom a charge of \$550 would be a burden, should share in the available scholarship funds.

An appropriation of \$7,500 from the Yearly Meeting is requested.

As already indicated, the operating accounts of the school are kept separate from those of the Dairy Farm, the Walnut Hill Orchards, and the Farm House. No income from these sources is included in the income account of the school for the past two years, except a rental of \$800 per year from the Orchard Department.

The report of the Dairy Farm showed a loss in 1924-25 of \$5,289.51, and in the year 1925-26 a profit of \$992.83.

During these two years, ended Second Month 28, 1926, permanent improvements to the dairy and poultry buildings were made, at a cost of \$5,570, of which \$2,000 was advanced from the funds of the school, as already stated, and \$3,500 contributed by a member of the Committee.

The Walnut Hill Orchards showed a profit, in 1924-25 of \$751.83, after paying a rental of \$800 for the land. For 1925-26 the profit is shown to be \$3,143.91.

The Farm House pays its way, with a small balance to spare, which is held in reserve for future needs. It has been attractively refurnished by two interested friends.

The late William Grier, for many years employed at the school as night watchman, named Westtown as his residuary legatee, the amount of the bequest being \$1,932.40. A fitting use for this legacy has yet to be designated.

Westtown opened last fall with 243 pupils (11 more than in 1924) of whom 185 are boarders, 17 less than the year before. Twenty-two are in the primary department, 221 in the intermediate and upper schools. There are 19 children (non-members), each having one parent a member of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. We are glad to say that last year one of those who belonged to this group joined Westtown Monthly Meeting.

Two improvements at the school during the year are: an addition at the Farm House for the employees, and the remodeling of the house at the end of the lane into an attractive home for the Principal and his family, where he may have needed rest by living outside of the main school building and may entertain more freely.

Two much appreciated gifts are a drinking fountain for the boys' athletic field, from the Class of 1912, and a portrait of Thomas K. Brown painted by Griffith B. Coale, a former Westtown student, and presented by the Classes of 1911 and 1915.

At the time of the last report to the Yearly Meeting, Dr. Charles Henry Carter was under appointment as

Principal. To the great regret of all, his continued ill health made it seem right to select someone else to fill the position. We believe that the appointment of James F. Walker, for many years a member of the Westtown faculty, and during several months past the acting-Principal, will prove to have been a wise one. He has entered upon his work with an intimate knowledge of Westtown's ideals and problems, and with the loyal support of the staff. Two other important changes in the faculty are the appointment, as Dean of Boys and Dean of Girls, of two Friends, who, though they have had no previous connection with Westtown, have had training and successful experience in the particular kind of work in which they are now engaged. The difficult task of administering out-of-school discipline requires special gifts and deserves the sympathetic co-operation of parents.

This year classes have been divided into A and B sections, the pupils separated as nearly as possible according to their ability to do intellectual work, determined by their past records and by psychological tests.

To meet the varied needs of the pupils there will be given in the future two courses of study leading to two separate diplomas: a College preparatory course for those expecting to enter college, and a General course in which there is a freer election of studies. This permits planning with greater regard to individual interests and needs. The same number of hours of work will be required in each. Pupils who do not qualify for either diploma but who have completed sufficient points to equal the requirements of a Pennsylvania first grade High School, will be granted a certificate acknowledging such work. Fifty-seven diplomas and two certificates were granted at the end of the last school year. Three boys were then admitted to the Cum Laude Society, four girls having been admitted at the close of the first semester.

Last spring James F. Walker visited Kent, Oakwood and Choate Schools. Three boys also spent a week-end at Kent School, to see its self-help system and how its student

government was managed. On their return a joint conference was held between the dormitory teachers and the student council, and several changes were planned. This year a new system of self-government has been put into effect on the boys' side of the school, in which both faculty and pupils are represented in all branches of the government,—legislative, executive and judicial.

Since Westtown was founded one hundred and twenty-six years ago for the education of the youth of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, many excellent day schools, public and private, under the care of Friends, and under the guidance of others equally desirous to maintain strong Christian influences, have been established within reach of practically all of our members. As between day school and boarding school, each has its own advantages. At boarding school, children are placed in an environment which is planned for their special benefit for the whole twenty-four hours of the day, including regular hours of study and proper hours of sleep and exercise. This overcomes many distractions and makes school work the primary business in hand as well as giving opportunity for wholesome physical development. Boarding school life develops self-reliance and forms a helpful step to the greater responsibilities of college life.

Many city schools are now moving to the suburbs, recognizing the advantages of country life to growing boys and girls,—advantages that Westtown has always offered through the wisdom and foresight of its founders. Few locations offer such healthful air and beautiful surroundings as the hills and farm lands of southeastern Pennsylvania. Added to this are the woods, lake, athletic fields and tennis courts, making abundant opportunity for happy, wholesome outdoor life, with gymnasiums and swimming pool ready for stormy weather. In physical equipment for academic work also, Westtown compares favorably with other good schools. While the chief value of the farm is to give to the large school household, poultry, produce and vegetables with milk of known value and

purity, it also serves as a laboratory for the classes in agriculture where they may study modern farming operations. For nature study there are the museum and arboretum, the farm and woods; for domestic science there is an attractive building where girls taking this course may live for a few weeks and have practical training. The art department has a well lighted, well equipped studio; there is the laboratory for science, the shop for those studying carpentry and mechanics. In addition to these is the library. In his "History of Westtown," Watson W. Dewees says that there was a library as early as 1805, containing some rare and valuable books, with an annual appropriation of \$50. This continued until 1845, when cases were made that were unlocked once a week for half an hour, for books to be given out to the boys, with a similar opportunity for the girls on another day. At present there is the comfortable reading-room, with magazines and shelves containing nearly 7,000 volumes; an annual appropriation of \$380, and an addition of about 200 books each year. In less than three weeks, immediately after the Christmas vacation, 423 volumes were taken out. The lecture course, the Community Club and the Monthly Meeting have all been referred to in previous annual reports, each of them furnishing an important contribution to Westtown life.

But we do not forget that academic excellence is of primary importance. The investigating parent naturally asks whether Westtown is worthy of confidence when considered strictly as a school. Inquiry into the standing of the Westtown boys and girls who are now in college enables us to say that the school, in this respect, stands well. The policy of steadily strengthening the faculty, which has made substantial progress this year, justifies us in expecting that Westtown will not only hold its present academic rank, but will do progressively better work.

The future of the school depends largely upon the attitude of those elements in Philadelphia Yearly Meeting which have the most to give, of education, culture and

refinement, of spiritual insight, of devotion to the highest Christian ideals. Do those parents who desire the best surroundings for their children visit the school, meet the members of the faculty, and see for themselves that there is a strong and experienced group of teachers? And will they insist that Westtown be put on a financial basis that will enable it to pay, without facing a deficit, salaries that will permit the best teachers to work with peace of mind?

The present generation reaches the age of independent thought and action earlier than did the previous ones; and Westtown can only give the best that she is capable of giving, if the parents of today train their children when very young in habits of self-control, fitting them to take part in the system of self-government so soon to be met at school; handing down to them the finest traditions, and teaching them that respect for law and consideration for the rights of others are always necessary for good citizenship, whether in the nursery, in boarding school, or in the world at large.

In considering Westtown we should remember that her girls and boys come from Quaker groups which are widely separated and often more or less in danger of failing to understand one another. Working together in a democratic way differences dissolve and friendship ripens. This is an important means of preventing both geographic and social stratification among us, and we hold that it is worth a great effort to maintain.

But above all else is the environment where character and the Christian way of life are considered of primary importance, and where religious truth is presented as seen by the Society of Friends. We desire that this environment, representing Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, may mean no narrow, denominational influence, but that the boys and girls leaving Westtown may have received an interpretation of Christianity that includes world-wide love and service; and that they may have the foundations of sound bodies, trained minds and spiritual experience

that will prepare them to meet life consecrated to the highest Christian ideals, the broadest vision of Christian fellowship.

By direction and on behalf of the Committee,

J. HENRY BARTLETT,
Clerk.

GRACE W. BLAIR,
Secretary.

Philadelphia, Third Month 19, 1926.

Appendix to the Report of Westtown School Committee.

OPERATING ACCOUNT

For Year Ending Sixth Month 30, 1925.

Income.

Amount received for Board and Tuition, including Income from the Scholarship Fund (Charge, \$400 per pupil).....	\$ 77,578.60
Income from the General Purpose Funds....	18,379.17
Income from the Salary Funds, and Income from other Funds, appropriated for salaries.....	31,036.77
Income from Funds, appropriated for other Specific Purposes.....	12,839.67
Appropriations from the Alumni Association (including certain appropriations from the Centennial Memorial Fund).....	1,369.30
Yearly Meeting Appropriation.....	5,000.00
Contributions for General Purposes.....	7,625.00
Contributions for Special Purposes (actually used).....	2,232.07
Dividend from the Farm and Dairy (see preceding Report).....	0
Dividend from the Farm House (see preceding Report).....	0

Income from the Orchard and Forestry Department (see preceding Report).....	\$ 1,446.45
Miscellaneous Receipts.....	695.10
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Actual Income.....	\$158,202.10
Add the estimated value of board and living quarters furnished to officers, teachers and employees.....	20,850.46
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Total.....	\$179,052.59

OPERATING ACCOUNT, 1924-25.

Expenditures.

(Each item, including the estimated value of board and living quarters, if any, furnished to officers, teachers or employees, as part of their compensation.)

Officers, Teachers and Secretaries.....	\$ 72,183.24
Office Supplies, Financial Expenses and Audits.....	4,383.60
Real Estate Maintenance.....	11,870.44
Taxes.....	3,147.10
Fire Insurance.....	3,347.28
Heat, Light and Water.....	16,039.61
Laundry Operation, Less Receipts.....	2,797.09
Kitchen and Dining-room Supplies and Service	38,784.96
Housekeeping Supplies and Service.....	7,784.94
Physicians, Nurses and Medical Supplies.....	2,554.01
School Supplies (including Bacon Cottage)...	1,552.44
Campus, Gardens and Greenhouse, Less Credits.....	6,489.28
Library, Magazine and Newspapers.....	305.73
Transportation, Net.....	2,658.07
Teachers' Retirement Fund (credit balance this year).....	0
Interest on Money Borrowed (less interest on Bank Deposits).....	595.84
Disbursement of Auxiliary Funds and Special Contributions.....	5,058.10

Unlooked-for Expenses:—

Appropriated towards Improve- ments to Dairy Barn.....	\$2,000.00	
Electric Program Clock.....	1,170.72	
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Liability Insurance and Sundry Expenses....		395.86
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Total Operating Cost, exclusive of Farm Operations (including the estimated value of board and living quarters furnished to officers, teachers and employees, viz.: \$20,850.46).....		\$183,118.31
Operating Expenses, as above.....	\$183,118.31	
Operating Income, as above.....	179,052.59	
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Deficit for the Year (exclusive of Farm).....	\$ 4,065.72	
Accumulated Deficit for the Six Years ended Sixth Month 30, 1924.....	\$ 23,829.66	
Add above Deficit for 1924-25.....	4,065.72	
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		\$ 27,895.38
Deduct Income of the Improvement Fund, appropriated for reduction of the Debt, by the Budget for 1924-25.....	3,981.00	
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Deficit remaining for the Seven-year Period ended Sixth Month 30, 1925 (exclusive of Farm).....		\$ 23,914.38

Average attendance of boarding pupils—194

Average attendance of day pupils—35

Approximate cost of operation per boarding pupil, ex-
clusive of living quarters furnished to officers, teachers
and employees, and without deducting income from in-
vested funds—\$800.00.

J. HENRY BARTLETT,
Chairman.

Report of the Indian Committee for 1925-26.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The committee having charge of the Home Mission Work among the Indians of Western New York and the State of Oklahoma, submits the following report at this, the close of its second year of joint labor.

At the present time the work of Friends among the Indians of Oklahoma is at five stations,—among the Kickapoo, Big Jim, Wyandotte, Otoe and Osage tribes.

Ten trained or experienced workers are now in this field, all strong and active. Five of these are Friends, two of them Indians. Six of them have had college training. They are doing social and evangelistic work, reaching now approximately five hundred Indians and two hundred whites, regularly. These groups include young people. The work is co-ordinated, is locally co-operative, has achieved community influence and service and is changing lives.

Last spring, one of these workers, Philip P. Frazier, a full-blooded Sioux Indian, a graduate of Oberlin College, visited Philadelphia. His special plea was that in all the mission work among the Indians the redman's point of view should not be overlooked and that greater effort should be made to interest the boys and girls, as they come from school, in lines of constructive Christian work. Philip P. Frazier and his wife, Susie Meek, are Friends. She is a graduate of Earlham College and is well known among Friends. They are working under the auspices of the Associated Executive Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs and are stationed among the Kickapoo Indians, as they both are convinced that their work is among their own people. Their addition to our group in Oklahoma has already proved helpful in very many ways and their suggestions and example, especially in making approach to the Indian spiritually, are eagerly sought and followed by the other workers.

Ruthanna M. Simms, the Executive Secretary of the Board of Home Missions of the Five Years' Meeting, writes as follows:

"Oklahoma contains more Indians than any other state in the Union. One-third of all the Indians in the United States are in the State of Oklahoma. Many Mexicans are immigrating into Oklahoma. Almost every time we visit an Indian among the Big Jim or Kickapoo tribes we find a Mexican. Also, Friends own Mission property in Oklahoma, which is perpetually assured by invested funds.

"At least fifty young Indians are now definitely under the influence of our missionaries, some of whom we hope will become capable native leaders within the next ten years.

"The wealthy Osage tribe is turning to Friends for spiritual teaching as they have never turned to any other Christian group."

The annual meeting of the Associated Committee on Indian Affairs was held last spring in Richmond, Indiana. Three of the seven delegates appointed by this committee were in attendance.

During the year one thousand dollars has been paid toward the work of the Associated Executive Committee.

At the Tunesassa Commencement last Sixth Month there were two graduates, a girl and a boy. They both returned to the school in the fall for post-graduate work, but the former is now at Northfield Girls' Seminary.

The three graduates of Tunesassa, now at Westtown, are doing good work and fitting nicely into the Westtown family.

During the summer vacation four of our teachers took special training, two of them in Columbia University and two at an Indiana College. The T. Wistar Brown Teachers' Fund again made such training possible.

In the summer months at Tunesassa, a supply of canned fruit and vegetables is prepared for the schools' use in the winter. Frequently one thousand quarts are put up,

together with a supply of dried corn. Since we know the variety of fruit and vegetables at Tunesassa is limited, largely by climatic conditions, it might be well for us to remember this fact when doing our own summer preserving, as with the growing custom of Friends visiting Tunesassa by automobile, it would not be difficult to get the canned product safely delivered and it would be a most valuable help in the food supply for the winter.

Members of the committee visiting the school have reported the good condition of the farm. The dairy is well filled. The poultry, numbering about seven hundred, showed a profit during the Tenth, Eleventh and Twelfth Months of over \$500.00. Special mention has been made of the cheerful and ready assistance of the boys when at work about the barn and farm. The same may be said of the girls when at their household tasks.

The institution is now out of debt, due, principally, to the capable management of Aaron S. Edkin, who has kindly acted as Business Manager for the past two years. We wish gratefully to acknowledge our indebtedness to him and to our faithful Superintendent, Henry B. Leeds and Matron, Mariana Foster, for their self-sacrificing service, for many years, to the cause. An extract from a recent letter well expresses their feeling of responsibility:

"The things that count are the spiritual and moral impress on the lives of these Indians. If we fail in this, all this outlay of money is for naught. If we succeed, our efforts cannot be measured by dollars and cents."

We thankfully acknowledge a gift from an interested Friend, of one thousand dollars toward the cost for a play-shed, and the receipt of a donation of books from the Friends' Book Association.

The committee has at various times considered the future course of our work for the Indians, desiring to meet their present needs. The following changes have been authorized for the coming year:

(a) Eliminate the High School and confine our efforts for the present to the six upper grades, with the possi-

bility of later receiving children to the first two grades, as in the period before the High School work was undertaken.

(b) Grant to a few of the outstanding graduates partial or full scholarships to other good schools.

(c) Place all our activities, including school, farm and Christian work on the Reservation, under the oversight of the Superintendent.

(d) Increase the salaries of both the Superintendent and teachers.

(e) Build a play-shed in time for the opening of school next fall, provided sufficient funds, in addition to the \$1,000 donated for this purpose, can be secured.

(f) Remodel the second floor of the main building, to provide the girls with smaller rooms in place of the present one-room dormitory.

(g) Keep in mind the possibility of a similar arrangement for the boys.

(h) Engage a social worker, preferably a trained nurse, with headquarters at the school, to do Christian work upon the Reservations and especially to keep in touch with former pupils.

As a committee we feel deeply the loss of our friend, Richard S. Dewees, following a short illness, on Sixth Month 2, 1925. For some years past he ably filled the position of chairman of our Executive Committee where his clear judgment and active, helpful interest were fully enlisted in the successful management of the school at Tunesassa. As a boy he spent some time with his parents, (then Superintendent and Matron) at the school. Thus early coming in touch with the Indians he acquired a personal knowledge of them which proved helpful when he became a member of the Indian Committee.

You will be interested to know that the only members of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting in the Tunesassa family are the Superintendent and Business Manager and his wife. Five different Yearly Meetings are represented by the other members of the household. This information

is given in this report for the careful, prayerful consideration of the members of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. Tunesassa school belongs to our Meeting as our burden and responsibility, yet it seems only too evident we are shifting too much of the burden of the work onto members of other Yearly Meetings. Surely if we are faithful there will be found, among so large a membership as ours, those who will feel called to give of their time and talents in this our own Home Mission field.

For the Committee,

[Signed]

WILLIAM BIDDLE,

Chairman.

ELLEN C. CARTER,

Secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Balance on hand First Month 31, 1925.....	\$ 23.83
Appropriation of the Yearly Meeting.....	5,000.00
Income from Investments and Trust Funds....	1,892.66
Income from the T. Wistar Brown Teachers' Fund.....	675.00
From the Emlen Institution.....	1,600.00
Germantown Indian Aid Association.....	45.00
Donations for General Purposes.....	4,702.00
Donations for Special Purposes.....	100.98
Special Gift toward the cost of a Play-shed at Tunesassa.....	1,000.00
From an Indian woman in part payment of the cost of caring for her daughter when ill at Tunesassa.....	40.00
Farm and Dairy, including Value of Farm Products used in the Family.....	12,193.20
Investment Paid Off.....	1,014.25
Temporary Loans.....	900.00
Interest on Deposit Account.....	10.78
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	\$29,197.70

Payments.

The Associated Executive Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs.....	\$ 1,000.00
Tunesassa Expenses	
Salaries.....	4,422.99
Farm and Dairy.....	9,649.08
Family Expenses (Including Farm Products Used in School).....	4,653.57
Books and School Supplies.....	72.12
Heat, Light and Water.....	1,498.92
Repairs and Improvements.....	649.17
Loans Paid Off.....	4,619.32
Insurance.....	182.42
Taxes.....	52.37
Interest.....	125.25
Investment.....	972.50
Accrued Interest on Investment.....	4.17
Donations for Special Purposes.....	75.98
Incidentals.....	160.02

Balance First Month 31, 1926:—

In Hands of Treasurer,

For General Purposes...\$ 2.76

For Special Purposes... 25.00

For Play-shed..... 1,000.00

—————\$1,027.76

In hands of Business Manager 32.06

—————\$ 1,059.82

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\$29,197.70

[Signed]

JONATHAN M. STEERE,

Treasurer.

We would ask that the Yearly Meeting grant the usual appropriation of \$5000.00 for the Indian work next year.

Report of Social Order Committee.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The office of the Committee is maintained at 304 Arch Street, with Julia E. Branson as Secretary and Treasurer. Last spring Edward W. Evans, General Secretary of the Committee, was granted a year's leave of absence and now feels himself called to other work. Since the fall of 1918 he has served the Committee in this capacity, giving his services without financial remuneration, and the Committee wishes to express its warm appreciation of his generosity and able help. Elizabeth T. Rhoads, who relieved Edward W. Evans of the burden of detail last year, has withdrawn from the work of the office. They both retain their membership on the Committee.

COAL STUDY.

This winter the meetings of the Committee are being devoted to a study of the anthracite coal industry. The strike brought freshly before us the fact that nearly all the pressing problems of our present economic system are represented in this industry and we felt that our time would be well spent in trying to understand the different phases of the problem. The first meeting was addressed by Dr. Henry S. Gilbertson, Director of Personnel Administration of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company. He gave us a very interesting survey of the industry and reminded us that Josiah White, a Friend, was almost a pioneer in the anthracite coal industry. The next meeting was to have been addressed by David L. Wing, one of the investigators for the Coal Commission but he died suddenly a few days before the scheduled meeting. Anne Bezanson, of the Department of Research of the Wharton School and one of the investigators for the Coal Commission, spoke on "Earnings and Wage Rates in the Anthracite Coal Industry." We are planning to hear from a number of other investigators for the Coal Commission who will speak to us on phases of the matter to which they have given special attention. We are aware

of the complications of the question but nevertheless hope that when the study is over we may be able to prepare a statement that will be a small contribution to the thought on this subject of pressing public interest.

BUSINESS PROBLEMS GROUP.

The Business Problems Group has held five meetings since our last report. One was addressed by Arthur Nash, of the A. Nash Company, of Cincinnati. Another was held at the plant of the A. M. Collins Manufacturing Company. The members were shown over the plant and addressed by Henry H. Collins, Jr. The third meeting of this group was a joint conference held in co-operation with the Industrial Engineers' Club, the Philadelphia Personnel Association, the Industrial Relations Committee of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, and the Philadelphia Section of the American Management Association. This conference was addressed by Charles R. Towson, Industrial Counsellor of the Deering Milliken Company, on "Human Relations in Industry," and by Major George L. Beery, President of the International Printing Pressmen's and Assistants' Union. Professor Paul H. Douglas, who holds the chair of Human Relationships in Industry at Chicago University, and is a member of the Society of Friends, addressed a meeting on "The Family Allowance System; a New Method of Paying Wages." At the fifth meeting Henry P. Kendall, President of the Kendall Mills, spoke on "Industrial Problems in Southern Cotton Mills."

WOMEN'S PROBLEMS GROUP.

The Women's Problems Group has been holding, for the past two years, a series of meetings on the topic, "Education for Tomorrow." Since our report to the Yearly Meeting last year, the following meetings have been held:

"Education for Living Christian Ideals," by Dr. Adelaide T. Case, of Teachers' College, Columbia University.

“College Education for Women,” by President Marion E. Park, of Bryn Mawr College.

“The Adjustment of Our Emotional Lives,” by Dr. Jessie Taft, of the Department of Child Study of the Children’s Aid Society of Pennsylvania.

“Parenthood and Preparation for Parenthood,” by Dr. Ann Tomkins Gibson.

One more meeting is planned, to be addressed by Hilda M. Smith, who was formerly Director of the Bryn Mawr Summer School for Working Girls. She will speak on “Continued Education for the Working Girl.”

In addition to these meetings, a study circle of mothers of children of pre-school age has been formed which has held meetings on the following subjects:

“The Fundamental Importance of Nutrition and Records of Growth and Development.”

“The Physical and Moral Significance of Habit.”

“The Value of Obedience as a Spiritual Factor.”

“The Necessity of Right Emotional Development.”

“The Nursery School.”

Two more meetings are planned for this year.

A small Committee has been appointed to consider carefully the problem of our relationship to the domestic workers employed in our homes.

EDUCATORS’ GROUP.

For the Educators’ Group, Walter H. Magill has undertaken to assemble material for a book of collateral readings on industrial relations. It is the plan to make this material available to teachers in Friends’ schools and others.

ADDRESSES BY MEMBERS.

Since Fifth Month last the following addresses, although not arranged by the Committee, have been given by its members: Henry T. Brown spoke on topics relating to the Social Order, at the following places:

Rotary Club of Norristown, Pa.

Trinity M. E. Church, Bordentown, N. J.

Luncheon of the Industrial Relations Committee of Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce.

Community House, Bordentown, N. J.

Wynnefield Men's Club.

Banquet of the Philadelphia Personnel Association.

Industrial Policy Group of the Wharton School.

Morris E. Leeds addressed a meeting of the Industrial Relations Committee of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, and one of the Philadelphia Personnel Association.

On Labor Day night, Ninth Month 6, 1925, Bernard G. Waring gave an address at the First Baptist Church in Atlantic City, on "What Kind of Human Relationships Would Jesus Approve?"

EXTENSION WORK.

The Social Order Committee is co-operating with the Friends' First-day School Association, the Race Relations Committee, Temperance Association, Peace Committee, the Young Friends' Committee and the Mission Board in the holding of conferences throughout the Yearly Meeting. At a conference at Fallsington, held in First Month, Herman N. Morse, of the National Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church, spoke for the Social Order Committee on the topic, "The Rural Meeting Serving the Community." On Second Month 28th, Bernard G. Waring spoke at a conference in Haddonfield, on Third Month 7th, Walter H. Magill at Downingtown, on the 13th, Robert W. Balderston at Masonville, and on the 20th, Bernard G. Waring at Wilmington.

We should like at this time to ask the Yearly Meeting to give careful consideration to the following facts:

There is no question but that, judged by financial standards, the United States is now the most prosperous country in the world. Professor Day, of Harvard, tells us that in the first twenty years of this century, the total production of the country increased about twice as rapidly as the population. Whereas ancient civilizations were

built on the labor of slaves, there being in Greece about one slave for each freeman, our industrial civilization has developed horse-power enough to supply every man, woman and child in this country with the equivalent of thirty slaves. It would seem that this should ensure to all the people the essentials of a good life, even the abundant life. That it has not done so is well known to all who have any first-hand knowledge of the living conditions of hundreds of thousands of working people in our country. There is still entirely too large a proportion of these who lack the means properly to house, feed, clothe, and give even the simplest hygienic care to their families; while many more are unable to provide what is necessary for the full development of their children.

In the *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* for Ninth Month, 1925, Professor Paul H. Douglas, of the University of Chicago, writes as follows: "The most effective way in which society can protect children is in providing their parents with sufficient income so that they can be brought up properly. . . . It is the most cruel form of unconscious hypocrisy for business men to pay insufficient wages to those of their employes who are fathers of families and then by contributing to child-caring agencies to feel that they have discharged their duty. The child-welfare agencies, for all their efforts, cannot remove more than a small fraction of the injury which the children suffer from the poverty in their homes. Employers and social workers alike need to beware of thinking that social work, for all its valuable contributions, is an adequate substitute for a decent wage. The most pressing obligation is for industry to put its system of wage payment upon an adequate basis and, until this is done, social reform will swim against the tide."

To secure an adequate wage without placing too heavy a burden upon industry, Professor Douglas advocates the graduated wage scale, proportionate to the number of dependents a worker has. This system has been adopted with satisfactory results in France and Germany.

The housing conditions in our great cities form one of the gravest of present problems. In 1924 Alfred G. Scattergood, then chairman of the Housing Survey Committee, reported for Philadelphia, "a shortage of low priced homes; excessive rents; overcrowding, with many instances of families living in one-room apartments, and the occupancy of windowless rooms; cellar living; much disrepair; gross insanitation and foul plumbing." Families of six or eight were sleeping in one room. According to the Philadelphia Housing Association, these conditions have not changed materially since 1924. The Octavia Hill Association has endeavored to relieve the situation by building small four-room houses, with bath, electric light, and furnace, to rent at thirty-five dollars a month. The twelve per cent. gross return on the investment which this produces is not, however, enough to attract capital to similar building developments when larger returns can be obtained elsewhere.

When the dominant motive in industry is profit, capital is often used to produce super-luxuries and other articles bringing a high return rather than the goods most needed by the community. Stuart Chase in his arresting book, "The Tragedy of Waste," estimates that eight to ten million of our man power is wasted in producing and distributing needless and often hurtful articles.

When the modern engineer cries out against this waste, he is but echoing John Woolman, who a century and a half ago wrote: "Large possessions in the hands of selfish men have a bad tendency, for by their means too small a number of people are employed in things useful, and therefore some of them are necessitated to labor too hard, while others would want business to earn their bread, were not employments invented, which having no real use, serve only to please the vain mind."

John Woolman, the religious seer, and Paul H. Douglas, the modern Friend, scholar and student of human relationships, agree in thinking that we, as Friends, have some responsibility in this matter. As producers, con-

sumers and investors we can in some measure, Professor Douglas believes, mould industry nearer our desires. "Every time we spend a dollar we cast a vote as to what goods shall be produced." If we limit our personal expenditures, that portion of our income which would otherwise be spent upon luxuries for ourselves can be invested in some enterprise producing articles that are essential to true living, thus adding to the sum total of these products, and making them cheaper and more accessible to the poor. Nor does our responsibility stop here. Under what conditions are these goods produced? Do the workmen receive a living wage? Are they adequately protected against the risk of accident, illness, unemployment and old age? Do they have an incentive to work effectively and whole-heartedly? Do they have a voice in the control of their working destiny? These are questions which should lead the investor to investigate the source of his dividends instead of merely sending his signed proxy to the meeting of stockholders.

The Department of Christian Social Service of the Protestant Episcopal Church has pronounced on the standard which should govern the investment of Church Funds. It maintains that the material produced by a business in which investment is made should be a gain to the community and the conditions under which it is produced should be ethical. Dean Lathrop, head of the Department, suggests "a committee of technical experts whose business it will be to investigate on request any corporation in order to be able to report facts about the ethical soundness of the corporation's activities." The Social Order Committee has had requests from time to time to undertake this task for Friends, but such an undertaking would require the support of a large group and the employment of paid experts. We suggest that the experts now employed by investment bankers to investigate the financial soundness of business enterprises might also be asked to report on conditions of employment.

The Society of Friends through the American Friends' Service Committee, has done much for child-welfare and

home conditions in other lands. Just now, on advice from Lloyd Balderston, it has contributed to the establishment of a model workers' village in China. The Society should surely interest itself at least to an equal degree in conditions which obtain in Philadelphia and especially in the industries which Friends control.

On behalf of the Committee,

BERNARD G. WARING,
Chairman.

JULIA E. BRANSON,
Secretary.

Report of the Committee on Records and Changes in Membership.

To the Representative Meeting:

The report made to the Meeting last year showed a total membership as of Twelfth Month 1, 1924, of 4,564, a loss of four from the previous year. There was an apparent error in the report of one Monthly Meeting a year ago; this has been corrected by its assuming a membership on Twelfth Month 1, 1925, of five less than for the previous year. Reports have been received from the Recorders of all our Monthly Meetings; these have been carefully tabulated as shown by the accompanying sheet.

Changes during the year, reported, are as follows:—

Gains—

Births.....	43
Certificates Received.....	97
Requests.....	91
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Total Gains.....	231

Losses—

Deaths.....	74
Certificates Issued.....	82
Disowned or Dropped.....	15
Resigned.....	10
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Total Losses.....	181

Net Gain for the year—50.

Membership reported Twelfth Month 1, 1925—4,609.

The following additional information is summarized from reports of Recorders:—

Numbers of non-members married to members.....	587
Children, non-members, having one parent a member.	624
Non-members attending our meetings with some degree of regularity.....	317
Number of above classes received into membership during the year.....	38

For the Committee,

WILLIAM B. HARVEY,

Philadelphia, Third Month 17, 1926.

TABULATED STATEMENT showing changes in membership for the year ending Twelfth Month 1, 1925:

QUARTERLY MEETINGS	MONTHLY MEETINGS	Membership Twelfth Month 1, 1924	GAINS			LOSSES				Net Gain	Net Loss	Membership Twelfth Month 1, 1925	Adult—Males	Adult—Females	Minors
			Births	Cert's Rec'd	Requests	Deaths	Cert's Granted	Dis'd or Drop'd	Resignations						
Phila. Quarter	Arch St.	290	3	7	5	7	9	2			3	287	104	138	45
	12th St.	528	5		5	17	4				11	517	197	236	84
	Muncy	104		3						3		107	34	50	23
	Haverford	244	2	1	8	1	3		1	6		250	92	95	63
	<i>Totals for Quarter</i>	1166										1161			
Abington Quarter	Frankford	76	1		2	4					1	75	39	25	11
	Gwynedd	49										49	16	25	8
	Abington	34	2	5	5	1				11		45	10	12	23
	Germantown	560	6	11	22	6	8			25		585	197	217	171
	<i>Totals for Quarter</i>	719										754			
Concord Quarter	Chester, Pa.	294	5	10	7	3	8			11		305	92	131	82
	Goshen	42	1	1						2		44	16	20	8
	Concord	30		2						2		32	12	11	9
	Wilmington	103	1	4		2				3		106	36	43	27
	Birmingham	273	2	2	12	7	6			3		276	79	141	56
	Lansdowne	197	2	7	3	1	5			6		203	61	77	65
	Westtown	97		12	2		1		3	10		107	27	36	44
	<i>Totals for Quarter</i>	1036										1073			
Caln Quar.	Bradford	153			6	4	8	11	2		19	129	48	52	29
	Uwchlan	43			3	1		1		1		44	14	17	13
	<i>Totals for Quarter</i>	196										173			
Western Quarter	Kennett	73	1			5					4	69	32	29	8
	New Garden	140	2	7			2	1		6		146	62	65	19
	London Grove	34		1			5				4	30	7	11	12
	<i>Totals for Quarter</i>	247										245			
Burlington and Bucks	Burlington	78	1			2					1	77	30	36	11
	Chesterfield	50		3		1				2		52	21	22	9
	U. Springfield	15				2	1				3	12	6	5	1
	Falls	145	3	3	4	1	4			5		150	44	54	52
	<i>Totals for Quarter</i>	288										291			
Haddonfield and Salem	Haddonfield	181		1	1	4					2	179	59	82	38
	Chester, N. J.	447	3	4	1	3	11		4		10	437	122	179	136
	Evesham	50			2					2		52	18	22	12
	U. Evesham	166	2	7	2		6			5		171	58	61	52
	Woodbury	45	1	6	1	1	1			6		51	19	22	10
	Salem	23				1					1	22	6	7	9
	<i>Totals for Quarter</i>	912										912			
	TOTALS	4564	43	97	91	74	82	15	10	109	59	4609	1558	1921	1130

Report of the Book Committee.

To the Representative Meeting:

Since our last report the two books that were then in process of preparation have been published and the Book Store has been interested in promoting their distribution. The "Shorter Journal and Itinerary Journals of George Fox," edited by Norman Penney and published by the Cambridge Press of England for Friends' Historical Association of Philadelphia, has had a slow but satisfactory sale, considering its rather specialized interest. The "Life of William Savery," by Francis R. Taylor, has been well received, and as it is more widely reviewed will be likely to have a steady sale for some time.

Two editions of one thousand copies each have been printed of Blair Neatby's "What is Quakerism?"

A considerable amount of time and thought has been given to the production of four additional volumes of Quaker Biographies, and at this writing thirty-two of the thirty-five manuscript articles are in hand, and plans are being perfected to arrange for their publication. We believe that these volumes will be of unusual interest to Friends generally.

By the method described in a former report, sixteen titles were added to our list of books "Approved for distribution" and with the opportunity to buy quite a large number of "Approved" books at greatly reduced prices, the Committee has been able to continue its policy of giving books to individuals and libraries in considerable numbers.

Through the generosity of the Rowntree Trust, nearly one hundred sets of "The Later Periods of Quakerism" were given to individuals for the price of customs duty, besides numerous sets sent to libraries direct. In addition, grants have been offered to ten university and Y. M. C. A. libraries in Japan; to libraries in St. Petersburg, Florida; Russiaville, Indiana; Fairhope, Alabama; Brigham Young University, Utah; Beloit College, Iowa; Scattergood School, Iowa; Antioch College, Ohio; Tunesassa,

New York; Friends' Institute, Tokyo, Japan; to the Quaker Library in Vienna and to the Boys' School in Ram Allah, Palestine. Special interest has been felt in supplying books to be used as a circulating library among ten Meetings in Indiana, and also appropriations for books to be used by the young pastors in Colorado Meetings and the Friends in Detroit, Michigan.

A number of individuals upon special request have been supplied with books to fill some definite need. Many selected books have been sent to newly married couples. Five copies of Barclay's Apology were to be used in Class work. John Woolman's Journal and other material to a person studying social problems. Several books to a Swiss pastor who is writing on Quakerism, etc.

That these gifts are appreciated and that they serve to spread our message is indicated by various responses received, of which the following is typical. It is embodied in the Quarterly Report of the Vienna Centre:—

“The Quaker library has had several valuable additions from the Book Committee of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, and other sources; it has been carefully and attractively arranged and the circulation of books has notably increased.”

The following letter from Japan has the same note of appreciation:—

Tokyo Imperial University Library:

“ . . . I am in receipt of your kind note of December 16th and I have the pleasure of saying that all the books on your list are welcome to our library. We have lost nearly all the books by the great disaster of 1923 and we are reconstituting it. Your books will make a part of our new collections and be remembered as a token of sympathy toward our country.”

M. ANESAKI,
Chief Librarian.

Some increased interest here at home in Friends' literature was manifested during the period of the Fox

Tercentenary, and to help maintain this, our Secretary has accepted the invitation of at least two Quarterly Meetings to have a Book Table, and to arrange for a Book Talk at the time of a Quarterly Meeting.

A talk was also arranged at the Book Store on the afternoon of Tenth Month 30th, at which J. Henry Bartlett, Edith C. Moon and Margaret W. Rhoads spoke on different groups of books with great interest to the few who were present.

As the plans for the Sesqui-Centennial mature, there would seem to be many ways in which the Book Committee should prepare to meet the demands of those who visit the Quaker City, and a committee is under appointment for that purpose. But we recommend to all Friends that they themselves should be able to give intelligent and first-hand information to all inquirers.

The type of Quaker literature of the present day is full of human experience and Divine guidance. It portrays a kind of life that appeals to the pioneer in social and religious progress outside of our own group, as witness the effect made on one writer who describes early Quaker leaders in her recent book, "Rebel Saints". Should it not inspire our own members as well to go forward into new lines of service?

Sales in the Book Store reached a maximum in 1924 with the circulation of Tercentenary material. The only apparent hope of enlarging sales and the usefulness of the Book Store is in an increase of the reading habit amongst Friends. We are convinced that a very great advantage would accrue to the service of Truth by a more general use of the printed word.

Our shelves are supplied with books that Friends might profitably read, and we make an appeal to them to cultivate the habit of a book a week, or at least, a book a month.

On account of the re-organization of the Representative Meeting at the time of the last Yearly Meeting, six of our number, some of whom had given long and valued

service, are no longer members of the Book Committee, and their presence has been greatly missed. Within a few weeks, we have also lost by death our Friend, Edward G. Rhoads, who has been a helpful adviser in the service of this Committee.

On behalf of the Committee,

J. HENRY BARTLETT,
Clerk.

Philadelphia, Third Month 12, 1926.

Report of the Peace Committee to the Yearly Meeting.

To the Yearly Meeting:

During the year since our last report to this body, we have been able to note very considerable progress along the lines indicated by the survey of world affairs with which our 1925 report was prefaced. Defense Day, observed on the Fourth of July, amounted to little. The League of Nations has stopped a war after the fighting had actually begun. The Geneva Protocol, although not adopted as a whole, is embodied in the Locarno Treaties between Germany, France, Belgium, Poland and Czechoslovakia. Progress has been made in the negotiations between the United States and the nations indebted to this country.

The focus of all efforts for peace in this country has been the question of adherence to the Permanent Court of International Justice. The Peace Committee wishes to record its great satisfaction in the accomplishment of this step toward a world organized for peace. The Court does not guarantee peace; American adherence to the Court makes it more likely that this country will use available means of settling disputes peacefully.

The Court merely provides a means of settling disputes; the nations are not yet obliged to submit all disputes to it. In particular, no question to which the United States

is a party can be submitted to the Court without the approval of two-thirds of the Senate. To secure such a vote, in the case of a serious dispute, would probably require a much stronger public opinion in favor of arbitration than at present exists. The peace organizations have still the duty of educating public opinion to demand the arbitration or judicial settlement of all disputes. Their task is by no means finished.

The Peace Committee, under the general supervision of its International Program Committee, has taken an active part in the entire campaign for American adherence to the World Court. We have co-operated, first with the Citizens' Committee for a World Court, then with the Philadelphia Peace Council, in a joint campaign under the general guidance of James G. McDonald, of the Foreign Policy Association. Two descriptive flyers have been prepared, of which 50,000 copies have been distributed, as well as several thousand copies of other pamphlets giving information about the Court. Our exhibit at agricultural fairs has been centred about the idea of the Court. Our fans and other souvenirs have advocated the use of the Court and some 200 addresses have been arranged through our office on that subject. In the final debate in the Senate, telegrams sent at our request strengthened the pro-Court Senators.

The Peace Education Committee is the subcommittee through which most of our work is done. It has charge of our share of the joint campaign at the agricultural fairs; and this year felt that the fair campaign was more successful than ever. The work of previous years has begun to bear fruit; and this year we were not able to provide enough literature to supply the many askers. Exhibits were arranged at eight large fairs; nearly 100,000 pieces of literature and souvenirs were distributed, and a list of approximately 700 names of interested inquirers was secured.

The Peace Education Committee makes it a point to send an annual letter to public school teachers in the

area of our Yearly Meeting. The replies to this year's letter are now coming in, opening up promising vistas for future work. The lantern slides illustrating the work of the World Court and the League of Nations are still in use, and we are receiving an encouraging number of requests for material about the League of Nations.

During the past year, the Peace Education Committee has published two pamphlets. "Education for International Good-will" by W. Walker Cheyney, is a study of the methods of teaching peace. "Christianity and War," by E. Vipont Brown, is a fresh and vigorous study of war in relation to the example and teaching of Jesus Christ. This has been circulated among the attenders at the Washington Conference on "The Churches and War" and among ministers who seem likely to be interested.

During the past year S. Edgar Nicholson has served as field secretary of the American Branch of the World Alliance for Promoting International Friendship through the Churches. Our Peace Committee joined with Race Street and Five Years' Meeting Friends in supporting him for the year. This arrangement with the World Alliance has now ended.

Our close friendly relations with the Mennonites and Brethren continue. These denominations are now taking an increasingly active part in the campaign for peace. A conference at Wichita, Kansas, last autumn was very encouraging, and gave reason to expect that an aggressive joint action will be developed. Many religious pacifists have tended, in the past, to hold themselves aloof from active efforts to realize their ideals in the world around them. Co-operation among these three denominations will greatly increase the number of absolute pacifists who are seriously attempting to prevent war, and who bring to the task the religious devotion of those who find war incompatible with service to their Master.

The Peace Committee has contributed to this joint work in a practical way by sharing in the arrangements

for the Wichita Conference, at which our secretary was one of the speakers, and by furnishing two sets of lantern slides which the Peace Committee of the Church of the Brethren have used for over a year in the Middle West.

The Washington Study Conference on the Churches and World Peace was one of the most encouraging events of the year. This group of delegates appointed by some twenty-five of the Protestant denominations met last Twelfth Month to seek a common mind on the question of war. Their findings represent a distinct advance inasmuch as representatives of many of the leading denominations recognize for the first time the right of their individual members to obey their consciences rather than the government in the matter of military service. Our secretary participated in the work of the Committee on Arrangements, and two of our members took a very helpful part in the conference.

During the summer, our secretary was in Europe with Sherwood Eddy's American Friendship Seminar. In addition to acquiring a general background of European conditions, and meeting many men and women whose work is of great importance to peaceful international relations, he attended the Assembly of the League of Nations, a conference of the Fellowship of Reconciliation for southeastern Europe and the Balkans, and the Twenty-Fourth Universal Peace Congress. Since his return, he has made fifty talks to about three thousand five hundred people.

During the fall and winter, Margaret Hilles Shearman, of Germantown, has been led to make a deep study of the duty and opportunity of Christian people and of the Churches in the problem of world organization for peace. She has prepared a course of eight lectures on this subject, which she has given, under the auspices of the Peace Committee, to seven groups, of church and club-women. She has also given a few single lectures.

Compulsory military training in American schools and colleges has grown to such alarming proportions that the time has evidently come to resist the further encroachments of this evil. About 225 schools and colleges maintain Reserve Officers' Training Corps, and in eighty-three colleges and universities it is compulsory, including Pennsylvania State College, Rutgers University, the University of Delaware, Lehigh University and Drexel Institute. In fifty-six cities military training in the public high schools is conducted with the aid of the War Department, and in twenty-three cities the course is compulsory. Missionaries tell us that as a result of the militarization to this extent of American schools and colleges, Japan has required military training in every college and school. This requirement is proving an obstacle to some missionary efforts in Japan; in this as in other cases the maintenance of war machinery at home is hindering the spread of the Kingdom of God abroad.

The Peace Committee and the Representative Meeting have together appointed a special committee on this subject. This committee is working very closely with the Philadelphia Peace Council, the Race Street Friends, and the national Committee on Militarism in Education, of which Nevin Sayre is chairman. Although work has just begun, a bill has been introduced into Congress intended to prevent government aid for military training in any college maintaining a compulsory military course. Plans for a public hearing on this bill are under way. The Peace Committee has been requested to prepare a pamphlet on the physical effects of military training, and the pamphlet published ten years ago, in which were collected the opinions of leading educators about military training, has been requested so often that a slightly revised edition has had to be published.

Feeling the need of closer personal contact with the individual members of the Yearly Meeting, and with the local meetings, seven of the Yearly Meeting's Committees have undertaken to co-operate in arranging small week-end

conferences at various friendly centres. The Committees which are co-operating in this way are the Peace Committee, the Mission Board, the Social Order Committee, the First-day School Association, the Young Friends' Committee, the Inter-racial Committee and the Temperance Association. Conferences have now been held at Fallsington, Haddonfield, Downingtown and Masonville, and are being arranged at Coatesville, West Chester and Wilmington. We hope that they will serve to increase on the part of our members, the interest in and knowledge of the problems, which taken together form a large part of the total application of Christianity to life. Perhaps they may serve also to deepen and strengthen the life of our meetings.

In the death of Dr. Edward G. Rhoads, the Peace Committee has lost a member whose interest in our work was a constant stimulus; the wisdom of whose counsels guided and strengthened us in the midst of perplexities, whose vision and courage led us to recognize new opportunities as they presented themselves. With the Yearly Meeting, we feel our loss; his memory will inspire us to be faithful in our service.

For the coming year, our work divides itself into five heads:

1. Speakers' Bureau on International Affairs, operated in conjunction with the Philadelphia Peace Council. The goal is the spreading of the peace message in every community within the area of our Yearly Meeting. A special secretary has been found necessary for this work, and Elizabeth T. Rhoads has been appointed.
2. A news service, to make available through the small country newspapers information tending to produce international understanding.
3. A more vigorous campaign at the fairs than hitherto.
4. Work among Friends' schools and other schools, under the Peace Education Committee.
5. The crusade against compulsory military training.

As in past years, we request an appropriation from the Yearly Meeting of \$1500.00, and are asking for \$14,500.00 additional in contributions from interested Friends to support the work of the Peace Committee. As in the past the financial appeal which we recently made to Friends included requests for the support of the American Friends' Service Committee, and of the National Council for prevention of War also. The work of these two organizations supplements the work of our own Committee, the three together forming a comprehensive Quaker peace program for local, national and international work.

Results in this sort of work are in the main intangible; but we are convinced that our work is making an impression. We are sure that as Friends we can not sit idly by, but must take an active part in the struggle to prevent war. Faithfulness to our peace testimony in war-time is not sufficient; the only faithfulness that counts, humanly speaking, is the faithfulness that in time of peace does its utmost to create the conditions of peace, to strengthen the instruments of peace, and call forth the will to peace, that all men everywhere, of every race and color, may live in the virtue of that life and power that takes away the occasion of all war.

Signed on behalf of the Peace Committee,

STANLEY R. YARNALL,
Chairman.

RICHARD R. WOOD,
Secretary.

Third Month 10, 1926.

Report of Henry W. Comfort, Treasurer, for the Fiscal Year Ending Third Month 1, 1926.

Receipts.

Balance 3-1-1925.....	\$ 4,739.86
A. F. S. C.....	\$11,236.28
Nat'l Council for Preven- tion of War.....	5,136.33
Peace Committee.....	9,889.84
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Total Contributions.....	\$26,262.45
Yearly Meeting Appropriation.....	1,500.00
Interest on Deposits and Invest- ments.....	238.94
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Total Receipts.....	\$32,741.25

Expenditures.

A. F. S. C.....	\$11,236.28
Nat'l Council for Prevention of War.	5,136.33
S. Edgar Nicholson's Salary.....	1,666.67
Salaries, Rents, &c.....	5,629.51
Other Expenses Forwarding Work of Committee.....	5,002.60
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Total Expenditures.....	\$28,671.39
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Balance as of 3-1-1926.....	\$ 4,069.86

H. W. COMFORT,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have examined the accounts of Henry W. Comfort, Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting Peace Committee from Third Month 2, 1925, to Second Month 28, 1926, inclusive, and find they have been kept in excellent shape with evident care and accuracy.

They are exceptionally free from erasures, eliminations or corrections and appear to be correct in every detail.

The voucher files also are in regular order, arranged by months, and the cash in hand corresponds with the records.

The accounts are satisfactory to us and we believe they are true.

There is a balance in the hands of the Treasurer, after paying allocations to date, of \$4,069.86 of which \$52.78 is petty cash and \$4,017.08 is on deposit with the Provident Trust Company.

B. F. WHITSON,
GEORGE BACON,
Auditors.

Report of the Committee Appointed by the Yearly Meeting to Confer with the Committee on Young Friends' Interests.

To the Yearly Meeting:—

The Committee has had several meetings with representatives of the Young Friends' Group and would present, briefly, to the Yearly Meeting a glimpse of the work which is actively being accomplished by the Young Friends' Committee.

Conferences. Perhaps the most significant development has been the increased opportunity for fellowship between Young Friends of the different Yearly Meetings at the Summer conferences which have been held at Earlham College, George School and Westtown. The natural intercourse thus established has resulted in a deepening of fraternal feeling, while the delegates, who have been officially appointed have returned to their home Meetings with a keener appreciation of religious fellowship.

A reunion of some of these delegates was recently held at Woolman School, from which way has opened for the holding of two joint Meetings of the Executive Committees of the Young Friends' Movement—(an organi-

zation of Race Street Meeting) and the Young Friends' Committee—(of our Yearly Meeting), for consideration of their closely allied aims and activities.

These Young Friends' groups have also held Union First-day evening Meetings, in turn, at the Race Street, Twelfth Street, Girard Avenue and Germantown Centres.

A Meeting for young people between the ages of fifteen and thirty-five years, has been held annually on First-day afternoon of Yearly Meeting week in our Meeting-house on Twelfth Street. These Meetings have met with a very general response from young Friends of all nearby points and have given a gratifying assurance of a deep interest in this very vital expression of the life of the Yearly Meeting, viz: the Meeting for Worship.

News Letter. A news letter, two numbers of which have been issued, has been mailed to 900 Young Friends in the United States. These letters have been gratefully acknowledged by some who are remote from congenial religious fellowship.

Difficult situations growing out of Military Training in Schools and Colleges and some other problems, which confront Youth have been helpfully discussed therein.

Field Work. The Young Friends' Committee has endeavored to keep in touch with College groups. It has been an agency to which Young Friends could turn after graduation, and when entering upon new and untried fields of service, for sympathetic interest and uplift.

The Young Friends' Secretaries accompanied by some others have made seven visitations to local meetings, hoping through interchange of ideas and communion in worship to establish an organization that could serve the interests of our younger membership as a whole.

In some quarters local organization has been effected and one group has developed a keen interest in work with the Negroes of its community.

Social Gatherings. During the mid-winter holidays and several other times during the year, social gatherings of

Young Friends have been held around the open fire-side in the upper room at Twelfth Street Meeting-house. A simple supper has been served, followed by some form of entertainment.

On one occasion some foreign students were invited as special guests and, in their addresses, manifested a genuine appreciation of the courtesy extended.

These happy occasions have been much appreciated by a considerable number of young people who are in our midst and whose homes are too remote to admit of their joining in family gatherings around their own hearth-stones. As many as 175 young people have sometimes enjoyed together these friendly reunions.

Your Committee would recommend the consideration of the appointment of some Young Friends as Overseers, as way opens, feeling that their knowledge of the younger membership would materially advance or extend the fostering care of the Meeting.

There has been a fear in some quarters, that a Young Friends' Organization would cause a divergence of interest between the older and younger Friends. Your Committee has come to believe, on the contrary, that it is the most effective, existing agency for calling Young Friends into active interest and service; in developing leadership, and in feeding new life into the Yearly Meeting.

This Youth Movement in the Society of Friends of all branches has filled us with a new faith in the future and we bespeak for them the hearty and increasing support of the Yearly Meeting.

The Young Friends' Committee is desirous that a Yearly Meeting Committee be appointed to confer with them in the coming year.

For the Committee,

WILLIAM S. YARNALL,

Chairman.

Philadelphia, Third Month 22, 1926.

Report of Yearly Meeting Committee on Extension of Christian Fundamentals.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Another year of service of the Yearly Meeting Extension Committee lies behind us.

It is difficult adequately to tabulate or report on labors dealing in Spiritual values or services.

“Paul may plant and Apollos water, but God giveth the increase.” It is impossible to give accurately the number of meetings which were sufficiently under the direct concern of the Committee to be reported as the product of its initiative; approximately twenty-five have resulted from concerns of members of this Committee. Opportunities have been welcomed to co-operate with Friends in the neighborhoods where these gatherings were held. We have individually and in small groups visited Quarterly Meetings and occasionally other established Meetings, especially in districts where the attendance is usually small. This was in accordance with a concern which rested particularly in the heart of our beloved Dr. Edward G. Rhoads, who was Chairman of the Committee on Local Meetings. Some of the mid-week meetings where school children attend have been visited. Some invitations have been accepted to share in holding Union Community Meetings. A few Conferences have been held where the addresses and the discussions following have been of an inspirational character.

In the spirit of the custom of extended fellowship of “the Second-day Morning Meeting of Ministers” in the early days of the Society, a list of proposed meetings was prepared and mailed to the Ministers of the Yearly Meeting with the request that, as way opened, they would indicate such places as they felt willing to attend. The result was to a large degree helpful and satisfactory.

Our leaflet distribution had to be curtailed for lack of funds; nevertheless, about 75,000 copies have been sent

out. Certain accredited lists of Protestant Ministers and other lists in the United States have been circularized. Requests for literature have come from many persons; some for few, others for several thousands of the *Pennsbury Leaflets*. Many of these requests have been re-orders.

Three essays on "Prayer", one on "Love" and another entitled "Essentials of Christianity", have been added during the year, the last being the thirty-third in the series.

The "correspondents", i. e. those who have asked for literature, number about three thousand. Impressive testimonials and descriptions of use of the leaflets have been received. The following excerpts from correspondence with a member of the faculty of Wellesley College are interesting in this connection; the writer says,—“If thee could let me have one hundred copies (of the leaflet on Prayer) I should be very glad. I should like to have them for a meeting with the Freshmen on Third-day evening next”, and under a later date, “The leaflets on “Effective Prayer” were received in good time, and I am most grateful for them. They have been, if I may be colloquial, ‘eaten up’ and I should like fifty more, if that is not greedy.”

Man is fundamentally religious, whether he calls himself religious or not, and through these silent messages we seek to promote the growth of a sense of unity so that in every form of faith the best may be strengthened and drawn into a sense of membership in the Kingdom of God.

As a Society we cannot expect to hold our own merely by the slow increase of birth-right membership. For one reason or another, the old Quaker families are dying out. Unless there is a constant stream of fresh convictions from within and without, we shall dwindle and wither. We may linger on as a highly respected philanthropic group, but a “meeting cannot allow the Christ-like passion for seeking and saving the lost, to be dulled without imperilling its own life.” There are no more burning problems before the Society of Friends today than

strengthening the spiritual life of our own members and giving our message to the world. Each of these is dependent on the other.

When considering the small or remote meetings, the mind naturally reverts to the thought of strengthening vocal ministry. This the Extension Committee feels to be a legitimate service, but at least as important is the exchange of visits by concerned and sympathetic Friends. The Society is suffering for want of spiritual fellowship. If the Extension Committee could stimulate a revival of such visiting, it would amply justify its existence as a Committee. It remains true, even in this century, that "Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend" (Proverbs 27:17).

The Society of Friends today must face its share of responsibility in bringing the masses of mankind to a saving knowledge of Christ our Lord. The church is called to show the way to a real revival of reliance on the things of the spirit.

On behalf of the Committee.

JAMES M. MOON,

Chairman.

Philadelphia, Third Month 15, 1926.

Report of the Committee on Race Relations, 1926.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Last year we tried to interest the membership at large in this general subject of Race Relations, having, as reported, held ten public meetings with the co-operation of Friends in the various communities.

This year we felt that, as a Committee, we should like to gain further knowledge and inspiration, and therefore planned a series of four meetings to be addressed by young Negroes of Philadelphia, that we might have the opportunity of meeting them and hearing some things discussed from their point of view. Wishing to share

these opportunities with others, we gave notice through THE FRIEND that these meetings would be open to any interested to attend.

Three of these meetings have been held. Though the groups were small, we feel that they have been worth while, having given us an opportunity to meet some of the most thoughtful of the younger Negroes and, we hope, helped them to believe that a growing number of white people are interested in them and their problems. One point brought out, especially meriting our consideration, was the waste of creative power among Negroes, because of the existing prejudice against them. Ability and energy that might go into constructive work for society are spent in fighting for "rights"; or in a struggle to meet the unnecessary daily difficulties of discrimination; or are wasted on some job far beneath their capacity, merely because of the unintelligent and unreasoning operation of the "color bar."

We wonder whether the membership of our Yearly Meeting realizes the extent to which this discrimination against a race has grown in Philadelphia since the great increase in the Negro population. Its attitude is fast approaching that of its Southern neighbors. On the contrary, New York, Detroit, Cleveland, Chicago and many other large cities maintain a more democratic policy, at least in their public schools, which are mixed both as to students and faculty.

Two cases, which are representative of this widespread desire to discriminate, have lately come to the attention of your Committee. One is that of an intelligent, well educated young Negro, with his degree of L.L.D. from Harvard University, who has been called "brilliant" by a fellow attorney of *our* race. It seemed altogether probable for many weeks that he would be obliged to leave his office in a large Trust Company Building in the heart of the city for no other reason than that he happens to be a mulatto. The issue is not yet decided but whichever way it goes, he has been subjected to many weeks of great strain because of the wrong done him and because

of the improbability of his being able to rent another centrally located office.

The second case is that of a woman of much the same type, a teacher, who, last summer, took the course in Home Economics at the Summer School of Columbia University. She has been denied admission to a class in dress-making in one of our large Philadelphia stores, though in this case she was told that if she got together a group of her own race, a class would be held for them. It is this constant discrimination, against color alone, even when it may debar people of education and refinement from the ordinary rights and privileges of citizenship, that so often and so deeply discourages and embitters the souls of these, our fellow Americans.

Only those who have done a little adventuring of their own among this group, can estimate the rewards awaiting them. Here and there many a one is so adventuring, to be amazed at the unsuspected wealth of talent, (musical, literary and scientific) which is to be found, and to be touched and humbled by the gratitude with which any sincere, unpatronizing efforts at friendship are received.

Our *official* extension work has been limited to providing speakers, when called upon to do so, for conferences at which the interests of several of the Yearly Meeting's Committees are presented. But, as *individuals*, members of the Committee are continually making contributions along this line in various ways, including personal work and that of directing such institutions as the Armstrong Association, Benezet House, Cheyney and Christiansburg. One of the Committee members engages in excellent service for the uplift of the community close about this neighborhood. Others give their time and interest to work in West Chester and Wilmington. Another of our members led a discussion class on this subject at the Young Friends' Conference last summer, and messages were given during the year, not only to gatherings in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, but also at Glastonbury, England, and at a week-end conference at "Old Jordans." A member of the Committee also attended the annual

meeting of the Southern Commission on Inter-Racial Co-operation held at Atlanta, Georgia, in Fourth Month last, and carried to the fine group gathered there a message of friendly interest from this Meeting.

Upon request of the Friends' Sesqui-Centennial Commission, we have appointed a committee to join with a similar one of Race Street Friends in forming a committee on Negro work. Committees have also been working on the cases of discrimination already referred to.

As we look over the wider field, outside our own small circle of work and influence, there is much to cause both encouragement and serious concern. One of the most hopeful signs is the growing interest of young people and students in this problem, for the future lies in their hands. This interest is showing itself in various parts of the country, even in the South, where groups from colored and white colleges have exchanged visits. An inter-denominational Students' Conference, held at Evanston, Illinois, during the holidays, adopted the following statement:—

“We believe that present relationships between races are inconsistent with the mind and teachings of Jesus concerning brotherhood, and we, as students, now face a real problem on our own campuses in the relation of the students of the various races and creeds, Hence,

“We suggest that we give ourselves to an unbiased study of the races in an effort to find a solid basis for relationships of equality and mutuality and to gain an appreciation of the distinctive contributions and capacity of each race.”

The older generation, through educational work and inter-racial committees, has laid the foundation and taken the first step toward a better understanding of the place the Negro should hold in the life of our country and the contribution he can make. It remains for the serious younger people with their courage and penetration to carry forward the work and bring in a day of better

understanding. May our own young people join with all these others in realizing their responsibility in this matter.

A fitting ending to our report seems to be given us in the words of the poet, James Weldon Johnson:—

How would you have us, as we are?
Or sinking 'neath the load we bear;
Our eyes fixed forward on a star,
Or gazing empty at despair?

Rising or falling? Men or things?
With dragging pace or footsteps fleet?
Strong, willing sinews in your wings,
Or tightening chains about your feet?

On behalf of the Committee,
ESTHER MORTON SMITH,
Chairman.

Report of the Mission Board for the Year 1925-26.

To the Yearly Meeting:

At the end of its term of appointment, the Mission Board finds itself in the midst of ever-growing activities, changing demands, and new opportunities. The past year has been an unusually busy one. The General Board has held six meetings, and the Executive Board thirteen. Each Board has also devoted an evening to conference on the policies of our Mission, and sub-committees have been active. As we look toward a fresh appointment by the Yearly Meeting and the Monthly Meetings, we hope that there may be on the new Board those of broad international sympathy, wisdom and high courage. In the death of our late Vice-Chairman, Edward G. Rhoads, we have lost one who possessed in a remarkable degree these qualities. His Christ-like spirit strengthened and inspired us.

After three years of service, your Board can report many things attempted and some accomplished. When

the Foreign Missionary Association surrendered the work to the Yearly Meeting in 1923, there were ten local branches. Now there are twenty-four active Local Boards. They are the backbone of the organization, for they provide the funds, the enthusiasm, and the spiritual support, which enables us to carry on. A number of special meetings have been held during the year, by Local Boards in most of our communities, which have been addressed by Thomas and Esther Jones, Herbert V. Nicholson, and others. During the winter however, our chief emphasis in educational work has been upon the study group. Eight groups have been started and are meeting in most cases with enthusiasm. They are studying such subjects as Christianity in Latin America, and the policy of modern missions. The study of world Christianity is pursued in many of our schools and First-day Schools through missionary talks and special projects. We have continued to publish the *Bulletin* and have issued a pamphlet, *A Transpacific Message*, which describes the work of our Japan Mission and forecasts its possibilities as seen by Japanese Friends. We are grateful to THE FRIEND for publishing a number of articles by a Japanese Friend and others dealing with this subject. In First Month, six representatives of the Board had the privilege of intensive study of missions while attending the Foreign Missions Conference of North America. Your Board feels keenly the need of American Friends for more real education, not in missions merely, but in the more important field of Oriental history and culture. Scholars tell us that the Pacific basin is to be the scene of the world's chief development in the future. To reap the spiritual harvest from the coming years, we must learn something, not only about Europe, but about the Orient.

A second important part of our work is the raising of the budget required to carry on the Japan Mission. For the current year our budget is \$31,927. This is approximately the same as our budget for 1924-25, and considerably less than our budget for 1923-24. The machinery for securing the funds is now well organized,

thanks to the constant efforts of the Finance Committee. The amount of money required is small when measured against the financial resources of our membership, yet our Treasurer is often compelled to record a deficit. You, the members of the Yearly Meeting, have committed a trust to the Mission Board, which cannot be cared for without your material co-operation. What is the object for which you have asked us to undertake the work?

Your Board believes that its reason for being is two-fold: First, we are charged to carry on Japan Friends' Mission. This Mission is in many ways a co-operative enterprise. It is a joint effort on the part of two Yearly Meetings—Japan and Philadelphia—to extend the knowledge of Christ to the people of Japan, whose capacities are different from ours but no less great, while their opportunities for acquaintance with the historical Christ have been less. This part of the work is under the administration of Japan Yearly Meeting, with the assistance of American missionaries. Japanese Friends raise more than one-third of the funds needed for this evangelistic work, exclusive of the allowances of American missionaries. We would here gratefully acknowledge the assistance given by Canada Yearly Meeting to the evangelistic work of Gurney and Elizabeth Binford.

Japan Friends' Mission is also a thoroughgoing example of international understanding. This is as true of the simple daily living of the American housewife with her Japanese neighbors, of the American child in a Japanese kindergarten, as it is true of the statesmanship of such a man as Gilbert Bowles, whose name is known where men of good-will meet in many parts of the Far East. Again, the Mission is carrying on a program of Christian Education. Friends' Girls' School, Tokyo, is worthy to be numbered among our "Yearly Meeting Schools," although only one-half of its income is derived from our country, and its policies are guided largely by Japanese Friends. It is difficult to tell where other forms of education stop and social work begins. One worker is helping through friendship and sympathy with the principal of a

large government school, another in the supervision of a kindergarten, others in night school teaching, Bible classes, public education for temperance and hygiene, and so forth.

The Yearly Meeting will be aware of the great loss sustained by the Mission in the resignation of Thomas E. and Esther B. Jones. Their influence among Friends in Japan has been unique. In 1914 Esther A. Balderston went to Tokyo to become a teacher in Friends' Girls' School. Since her marriage to Thomas Jones in 1917, they have had seven years of varied and fruitful service, chiefly in Mito and Tokyo. Their contacts with the Japanese, and their education, have prepared them for the critical task of inter-racial adjustment which they now take up at Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn. We cannot but admire the courage with which they enter upon it, and we feel that through them we share in a measure in the solution of a problem which vitally affects the progress of Christianity, not only in America, but in the Orient as well.

The personnel of the Mission has been increased by the addition of Violet R. Hawkins, a member of Wilmington Yearly Meeting, Ohio, who went to Japan in Eighth Month, 1925, to become a teacher in Friends' Girls' School. We are very glad that Alice L. Dixon will go out this summer, to fill the place vacated by Esther B. Rhoads as she returns on furlough. During the winter a special furlough of three months was granted to Herbert V. Nicholson and his family. We greatly enjoyed a brief visit from Herbert Nicholson, a pleasure which was shared by many members of the Yearly Meeting. His indomitable enthusiasm aroused a response which has made possible the building of a new home for his family in the outskirts of Mito, where they look forward to entering a new field of service in a suburban and country neighborhood.

To maintain and develop this many-sided Christian work within the borders of our great neighbor nation, is the major obligation of your Board. Our representatives

highly value the privilege given them by Japan, of living among her people, as far as in them lies, according to the teachings of Christ. They value also their relationship to Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. On their behalf we entreat the vigorous support of the Yearly Meeting, given in the spirit of our Master.

The second great purpose which your Board is striving to accomplish, is the discovery of a policy of mutual help which shall gradually come to rule our relations as Christians with the Christians of other continents. This is a very large undertaking, one which we cannot hope to see completed in a few years. Your Board does claim, however, that some progress is being made. Readjustment in the mission field is universal, but is perhaps less serious in our Japan Mission than in some others. Every officer of Japan Yearly Meeting is a Japanese, except an assistant treasurer. Japan Yearly Meeting is in full control of its own extension work. The head of Friends' Girls' School is a Japanese, which is unusual among mission schools in Japan, and the alumnæ are taking a great interest in the School. Missionaries are anxious to live nearer to the Japanese, to work only with Japanese approval, and to support themselves from Japanese sources as soon as possible. Japanese leaders, however, have expressed a great desire for a continuance of American help. We look forward to a time when they in turn will be able to help us by sending their spiritual ambassadors to America.

We have rejoiced in the interest of Young Friends in this aspect of our task, as shown by the keen discussion of international Christian service which took place in a conference called for the purpose last Fifth Month. Both the General and Executive Boards have studied this question of policy, the latter in conference with our Friend Setsuzo Sawada. Our Chairman, Lloyd Balderston, during his visit to Japan last fall, took up the question of policy with representative Japanese Friends as well as with the Mission Committee. He has reported a fine spirit of co-operation between these two groups. On his

return journey from China, where he has had ample opportunity to study the question of nationalism in a more acute form, he has just made a second visit to Japan. We look forward to receiving constructive suggestions, through him, from Friends in Japan, for we have great confidence in their knowledge of conditions, and in their sincere desire to advance mutual Christian service. We ourselves, however, need to know more, and to lay aside dogmatism, to think less of Quakerism and more of Christ. It is Jesus Himself who must be our Leader in this enterprise. We believe with Doctor North "in the throb as well as in the science of missions The burning heart of our compassion for the multitudes must be our passion for Jesus Christ." To our fellowship in this task of thought and prayer, we invite you, the members of the Yearly Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, on behalf of the Mission Board,

[Signed]

REBECCA N. TAYLOR,

Acting Chairman.

MARGARET W. RHOADS,

General Secretary.

Report of Committee on Revision of the Discipline.

To the Yearly Meeting:

This Committee, continued under appointment for a third year, has given much attention to the subject during the past twelve months. The trial of the book which was tentatively adopted at our last Yearly Meeting, has called forth much discussion and a liberal number of suggestions from the membership. These suggestions have all had the careful consideration of the Committee and many of them have been used.

The Editorial Committee met again in a three-day session at Pocono Manor last autumn and went over many details of revision. At this time it was decided to

replace the Foreword in the original copy by a series of significant quotations from the Gospel of John, which emphasize the Headship of our Lord in His Church. With these gospel truths we are all in full unity; they comprise a statement of the essential basis of our faith. It seems fitting that our work should be built on such a foundation, and this change has met with very general approval from all groups of Friends.

In the long paragraph of the Introduction on page 7, an alteration with a stronger emphasis on our evangelical belief was also received with much satisfaction by Friends who had felt uncomfortable about the earlier form of expression.

A new section on Prayer was included in the book.

These three changes were published in *THE FRIEND* so that the membership at large might read them.

During the winter, the General Committee and the Editorial Committee have met as need arose. A new order of arrangement for the subjects was decided on. Minor changes in matters of business and organization have been made as the use of the new book brought to light the need for them.

Several Friends have gone through the whole book with much care, from different points of view; one with a long experience as Clerk; more than one from an extended experience as Overseer, and others with the aim of making the English as accurate as possible. In addition to this, many suggested changes of form and language that have been submitted in writing, have been applied to the text.

The Committee appreciates the interest which Friends have manifested in the work of revision and believes that the thought and feeling which it has stimulated in all quarters has been a means of strengthening and deepening the spiritual life among us.

Perhaps better than anyone else, the Committee realizes that the work is imperfect, but believes that the time has now come to recommend the acceptance of the book.

If adopted, it is the judgment of the Committee that the Friends who have acted as the Editorial Committee should be authorized to publish the book, and that the Committee as a whole, should be released.

It is further suggested that the tentative "Faith and Practice" should remain in force until the new book is printed and circulated.

On behalf of the Committee,
 GEORGE VAUX, JR.,
Chairman.

Philadelphia, Third Month 25, 1926.

Report of Friends' Fiduciary Corporation.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The following extracts from the report of Albert B. Maris, Treasurer, to the Board of Directors, is forwarded for the information of the Yearly Meeting.

During the year 1925 our work continued to expand, seventeen additional trust funds having been received as follows:

Burlington Monthly Meeting—twelve.
 Burlington Preparative Meeting—two.
 Lansdowne Monthly Meeting—two.
 New Garden Monthly Meeting—one.

Many of the trust funds we hold are small and, therefore, of a kind not easily invested to good advantage in the hands of individual trustees. The following summary will prove of interest as indicating the extent of our service to our beneficiaries in this respect.

Funds of \$50 each—eight.
 Funds of \$100 each—twenty.
 Funds over \$100 and not over \$250—nineteen.
 Funds over \$250 and not over \$500—nineteen.
 Funds over \$500 and not over \$1,000—nine.
 Funds over \$1,000 and not over \$2,500—four.
 Funds over \$2,500 and not over \$5,000—six.
 Funds over \$5,000—one.

Total funds administered—eighty-six.

Our corporation during the year acquired title to the real estate of Haverford Monthly Meeting in Delaware County, Pennsylvania.

The total sum of \$3,494.63 was distributed to beneficiaries at regular periods during the year.

The operations of the corporation for the year resulted in a deficit of \$83.73, which reduced our reserve fund to \$539.51 on Twelfth Month 31, 1925.

The Corporation is also rendering an important service in holding, as Trustee, the legal title only, to real estate and personal property, the actual care and management of which remain with the respective Meetings and Committees to which the property belongs.

The certificate of the Auditors and statement of Assets and Liabilities and of Income and Expenses for the year ended Twelfth Month 31, 1925, are attached hereto.

The attention of the Yearly Meeting is called to Item 6 of the Charter, viz: The basis of membership in the Corporation shall be election from nominees of the constituent bodies for triennial terms as follows:

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting (at large)—30.

The last nomination by the Yearly Meeting was made in 1923.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T. ELKINTON,

President.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We have examined the securities in the possession of the Provident Trust Company of Philadelphia, Agent for Friends' Fiduciary Corporation, and find that those in their possession as of Twelfth Month 31, 1925, agree with the schedule prepared by our Treasurer, Albert B. Maris,

entitled "Schedule of Securities," said schedule being summarized as follows:

<i>Securities</i>	<i>Book Value</i>
Mortgages.....	\$40,950.00
Municipal Bonds.....	2,000.00
Railroad Bonds.....	10,008.75
Public Utility Bonds.....	16,878.50
Corporate Stocks.....	1,202.00
Judgment Bonds.....	1,130.00
Meeting Note.....	100.00

We have also examined the accounts of the Treasurer and the vouchers for his payments during the year 1925, and find the same to be correct, there being a cash balance of \$953.04 on Twelfth Month 31, 1925.

[Signed] I. ROBERTS COMFORT,
BENJAMIN M. HAINES,
Auditing Committee.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, TWELFTH MONTH 31, 1925.

Assets.

Cash.....	\$ 953.04
Mortgages.....	\$40,950.00
Municipal Bonds.....	2,000.00
Railroad Bonds.....	10,008.75
Public Utility Bonds.....	16,878.50
Corporate Stocks.....	1,202.00
	—————\$71,039.25
Miscellaneous Investments:	
Judgment Bonds.....	\$ 1,130.00
Meeting Note.....	100.00
	—————\$ 1,230.00
Advances.....	149.55
	—————
	\$73,371.84

Liabilities.

Trust Funds—Principal:

Adelphi School Fund, William P. Townsend Fund, Birmingham Monthly Meeting, Bradford Monthly Meeting, Bradford Preparative Meeting, Burlington Monthly Meeting, Burlington Preparative Meeting, Chester (Pa.) Monthly Meeting, Chester (N. J.) Preparative Meeting, Lansdowne Preparative Meeting, Lansdowne Monthly Meeting, Media Preparative Meeting, Middletown Preparative Meeting, New Garden Monthly Meeting, West Chester Preparative Meeting.....	\$72,688.92
Trust Funds—Undistributed Income.....	143.41
Reserve Fund.....	539.51
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	\$73,371.84

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE FOR YEAR ENDED
TWELFTH MONTH 31, 1925.*Income.*

Commissions Received.....	\$ 183.74	
Interest Received.....	90.45	
Registration Fee.....	5.00	
Title Fees.....	190.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 469.19

Expense.

Commission Paid.....	\$ 53.18	
Interest Paid.....	46.29	
Salary of Secretary.....	120.00	
Salary of Treasurer.....	240.00	
Premiums of Officers' Bonds.....	58.36	
Stationery, Printing and Postage...	35.09	
	<hr/>	\$ 552.92
Deficit for Year.....	\$ 83.73	
Reserve Fund, First Month 1, 1925.....	623.24	
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Reserve Fund, Twelfth Month 31, 1925.....	\$ 539.51	

Memorial Minute—Dr. Edward G. Rhoads.

Copy of Minute adopted by Germantown Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held First Month 27, 1926, regarding our late beloved member, Edward G. Rhoads, was now read. We desire to join in warm approval and appreciation of these words in his memory and to record the deep sorrow and sense of loss that this Meeting feels in his death. It is directed that a copy of this Minute be sent to the Quarterly Meeting and also to the approaching Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders. The Minute is as follows:—

“Having this afternoon been in attendance at the funeral of our beloved member and minister, Edward G. Rhoads, who died on the 24th inst., at Fairhope, Alabama, we desire to record our sorrow at the loss we have sustained in his death.

“For many years he served our Meeting as an Overseer, and since 1913 has been recorded as a Minister of the Gospel. A very wide circle in the community has been influenced by him as a physician in whom the Christian Spirit was clearly exemplified; and his services in his Meeting and the Society at large have been eminent. In all relations his impressive character has left its mark, by a great natural dignity and strength blended with humble and gentle Christian faith and love. His concern was that we abide faithful in the religion of our fathers; and his message, while liberal toward those of differing convictions, urged upon us the salvation that is in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Taken from the Minutes,

THOMAS C. POTTS, *Clerk.*”

Letter Adopted to be Sent to President Coolidge and Congress on Prohibition.

Fourth Month 2, 1926.

To the President and Congress of the United States:

The Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity in session at Fourth and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, desires to express to you our hearty approval and support of the 18th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and of the Volstead Act for the enforcement of the same. We are in accord with the policy of President Coolidge and his administration in their endeavor to secure concurrent support in all the states and to assist in making the law increasingly effective.

We discount the claims of those who oppose this measure and we credit many conspicuous social and material gains to our prohibition policy. We feel that the people of this country have undertaken a task from which they will never turn back, and that compromise with the opposition will increase confusion; whereas safety and social good will follow a steadfast observance and support of this salutary law.

On behalf of the Meeting.

Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

Report of Committee to Examine Epistles.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Your Committee has received and examined twenty-nine communications addressed to this Yearly Meeting. These may be grouped as follows:—

Epistle from the General Meeting of Friends for Australia.

Epistle from Japan Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Epistle from Lebanon Three Months' Meeting, Syria.

Epistle from Friends in Vienna.

Epistle from Fifth Annual Quaker Meeting, held at Bilthoven, Holland.

Epistle from Yearly Meeting of Friends and friends of Friends in Germany.

Epistle from General Meeting of Friends for Scotland.

Epistle from Dublin Yearly Meeting.

Epistle from General Meeting of Friends, held at Fritchley, Derbyshire, England.

Letter from Meeting for Sufferings, London.

Epistle from London Yearly Meeting.

On this Continent we have Epistles from eight Yearly Meetings, belonging to the Five Years' Meeting:—Baltimore, California, Canada, Kansas, Nebraska, New England, New York, and Western; also Epistles from six Yearly Meetings belonging to the Friends' General Conference:—Baltimore, Genesee, Illinois, Indiana, New York and Philadelphia.

We have an Epistle from New England Yearly Meeting, held at Westerly, R. I. We have a communication from Rud. Huber of Zurich, Switzerland, outlining a plan for creating an association to secure the Peace of the World.

“In reading the epistles from our sister Yearly Meetings this year the thought has more than once taken form in words that their messages have been fresh and vigorous in outlook, and in the expression of a vital hope and faith.”

—*Baltimore, Five Years' Meeting.*

These are the opening words of one of the Epistles and voice well the thought of your Committee in reading the twenty-six Epistles addressed to our Yearly Meeting this year. We have also been impressed with the common needs and aspirations of our Society the world over. To bring this more clearly before the Meeting we have grouped the subjects which appear again and again.

First of all comes thankfulness for unity, and desire for closer fellowship, as the following quotations will show:—

“The reading of the Epistles from other Yearly Meetings, and the presence with us of many visiting Friends whose ministry has inspired us, have given New England Friends a deepened sense of the oneness of purpose in which we unitedly strive. We rejoice greatly that the number of Yearly Meetings which each year exchange words of encouragement constantly increases. We are touched with the humble realization that our growing sympathy with one another is the measure of the sincerity and effectiveness of our message of world fellowship.”

—*New England, Five Years' Meeting.*

From New York Yearly Meeting (of the Five Years' Meeting):—

“We have been truly interested in the important and revealing passages in your letters which have been brought to our attention. They have reminded us that you who meet in other sections of the country, north, south, east and west, are facing many of the same concerns and problems, are drawing on the same spiritual resources, and trusting in the same divine guidance as we. It is in the knowledge that in such spiritual unity there is a basis for friendship more real than in the absence of intervening distances, or of differences of environment, we bring to you our greetings, Friends to Friends.

“Another concern repeatedly expressed is that Friends may make a contribution to religious history in these days of controversy by a difference in temper to which we are challenged by our very name. Can there be any message of good-will for those of different races, classes or nations, if it fails to apply between those of different religious opinions?”

From Scotland:—

“In again receiving and reading your letter of greeting and encouragement, at this time, we have rejoiced in the

reminder that though material things and considerations tend to divide, spiritual aspirations draw together such as are seeking to be led by Him who said, 'I am the way, the truth and the life.' "

From Indiana:—

"We rejoice at the increasing spirit of unity among Friends of all branches and in that spirit of love which makes all men brothers. It is our desire to extend this love to God's children everywhere."

From Canada:—

"Friends have emphasized in this session of the Yearly Meeting thankfulness for the spirit of liberty inherent in the Christian religion which is promoting a closer union among the churches of Canada, including the three branches of Friends, the re-uniting of which we look forward to with hope."

From some Meetings comes the touching sense of isolation.

From Nebraska:—

"It is a common task that faces us, and these letters remind us that each Yearly Meeting in its own peculiar field is ministering to the Truth as Friends see it. On the great plains of Nebraska, Colorado and South Dakota, different methods must be used from those in a concentrated and long established Yearly Meeting such as your own. The distances here are so vast between Meetings and the journey to Yearly Meeting is in most cases hundreds of miles, which makes it very difficult for the work to be unified. The personal touch of social intercourse and spiritual fellowship is greatly missed."

From California:—

"The messages of love and greeting from our sister Yearly Meetings, with their notes of hope and out-

reaching, have stirred us with new courage. Our great distance from the centre of Quaker population sometimes causes us to feel lonely, but the fact that our membership has come from almost every Yearly Meeting among Friends, gives us a sense of common interest not to be found in any similar gathering.

“The task which confronts us, here in the home field, is calling for great wisdom and spiritual insight. Many people are coming every year to this land of sunshine and mild climate. The home seeker and the pleasure seeker, alike, are coming. The good and the bad are coming to take their places in our community life. Peoples from every land are here, and various races intermingling makes this a cosmopolitan field, which challenges the best statesmanship of our leaders. An heroic effort is being made to meet the situation. Our work among the Spanish people is a demonstration of the power of the Gospel. The Japanese work continues to grow, and the erection of a new Japanese church during the past year makes possible an enlarged program among these people.”

From Canada:—

“Your kind words to us have encouraged us and have aroused afresh a grateful sense of the oneness of all Friends in Jesus Christ. . . . So few are our members, so vast the territory and so long the lines of our frontiers that before the problem of Home Missions we feel our inability to meet in adequate measure the great need.”

From Australia:—

“We have a very real problem in our isolated members. Families both around the large cities and out in the bush are cut off from active fellowship with other Friends. How to help them effectively is a real concern with us.”

Many Epistles mention the value of visiting Friends, as this letter from London Yearly Meeting:—

“In sending you the Yearly Meeting’s Epistle we wish to say how much we appreciate the letters received from

Yearly Meetings on the American Continent. These Epistles bring together the thought of Friends in all parts of the world, living and working under different conditions, all seeking to know and do the will of God. The presence of Friends from the United States has helped us in our Meetings; Thomas and Lael Kelly, Lucy Biddle Lewis, Elbert and Lieuetta Russell and Edward and Margaret Wistar have brought us encouraging reports of your work for Prohibition, and for the relief of distress in Europe. Our good-will goes with you in these concerns."

Very close to our hearts are the messages of our younger Yearly Meetings; first of all, perhaps, Japan:—

"We listened with joy to your Epistles of brotherly love and comfort and we are thankful to know that you always stand firmly on the Rock of Peace, which cannot be shaken by a storm that threatens sometimes the nations of the world.

"In order to accomplish our messages from God, we, as Japanese Friends, pray earnestly that we may work in unity, and may help to establish His Kingdom on earth, believing in the guidance of our blessed Holy Spirit."

From Lebanon, Syria:—

"In this country of so many religions we too have been feeling the need for more unity, and have given much thought and prayer to finding methods by which this can be attained. It is a difficult matter and progress is slow.

"It seems natural to man still to trust in and rely upon the outward signs of religion—even as it was in Christ's day, and so, to hide from himself that life-giving spirit, which Christ said He came to give to all men abundantly, if they would so face living as to allow it to spring up in them.

"Is it not this spirit, alone, that can orient our varying outlooks, and give us appreciation of, and trust in, the activity of God working in and through the whole of

nature, and which we defeat by our reliance on ways and methods of our own invention, as also by our absorption in the outward and obvious?"

A letter from Germany, describing the organization there of the Friends and friends of Friends, has been widely circulated by the American Friends' Service Committee, and need not be given here, but it is to that organization that the following refers:—

"During these days, which led us to serious decisions with regard to the development of Quakerism in Germany, we have felt with deep thankfulness your being near us in spirit and prayer.

"We are fully aware that only in closest harmony with all Friends we can gain all the strength we need for helping on our part to solve the difficult tasks arising from the present spiritual, political and economic situation of our country."

And through a letter from Elizabeth Wistar Brooks comes the following news from India:—

"Every one of these Eastern nations are seething with new thoughts, new ambitions and a restlessness, for something, many of them do not know what. But never has there been a time when they needed the ideals and the message of Jesus Christ as they do today, to guide them into more peaceful waters. Here in India, Mahatma Gandhi has made the Christ a living reality to a great mass of the Indian people. He is thought of and talked about as never before in this land; they are all saying that Gandhi is like Christ, not like any of their own non-Christian gods and the leaders among the Hindus, and even among the Mohammedans are turning to the ideals and teachings of Christ in order to find the solution for their social and national difficulties. They have not much use for the Christian *Church*, because they believe it is a purely western organization and does not truly interpret the mind of Christ, which in many instances is

unfortunately too true, but for the personality of Jesus Christ they have the deepest regard and reverence.

“May the Society of Friends in the years to come show forth the true Spirit of Christ in all its relations to life and in so doing help to advance the Kingdom of God at home and abroad, not laying too much stress on the fact that we are “Quakers”, but looking always to Jesus Christ as our Guide in all things and if we accomplish anything in His name, giving the honor to Him, not to our own denomination. This is my earnest prayer for us all.”

The concerns that have always held Friends are stressed in these Epistles. Half of them dwell on the Cause of Peace. Quoting from the Baltimore Epistle (Five Years' Meeting):—

“We opened the first session of our Yearly Meeting on the seventh anniversary of Armistice Day, Eleventh Month 11th, at 11 o'clock. Many times since that first great hour has the pendulum of international affairs swung us close to peace or disastrous war. Just now we can rejoice in the significance of the Locarno Conference, and the better day for China promised in the saner attitudes of the nations concerning customs duties and extra-territoriality; and the growing boldness of our sister churches in their condemnation of war. A peace advocate recently said: ‘You Friends are the “shock troops” of the peace movement, and we expect you to keep your place in the front lines.’ Are we prepared to fulfill the implications of this designation and to be always in an advanced position in matters of social progress?”

Prohibition takes its place in six Epistles as a vital concern. We quote from one:—

“A member of Congress who spoke in our Meeting expressed his belief that legislation strengthening law enforcement would be passed soon; but he warned us

that legislative bodies should not be expected to enact laws in advance of public sentiment. Friends of Prohibition must see to it that the protective walls are built over against their own homes."

—*Baltimore, Five Years' Meeting.*

During the year, the Quaker Business Meeting in Holland has initiated work for "helping the mentally afflicted":—

"This group which tries to work throughout Holland has carried on an active campaign in order to rouse public opinion in favor of the thousands of our suffering fellow-men and women in lunatic asylums in this and other lands. At the conference where this group was formed, much interest was shown and since then pamphlets have been published and spread. A course of lectures on the subject of 'Laymen's help for the Insane' and a summer school on allied subjects will be held by doctors and others this summer."

Two Epistles, those from Holland and California, speak of the establishment of new Quaker Centres, New Bible Schools and Meetings for Worship, and two Epistles speak with interest of reports from their Mission Fields.

We are glad to see the subject of education so much on Friends' minds. To quote:—

"Another vital concern upon which we are focusing our attention is a reconsideration of Friends' Educational ideals, from the standpoint of the founder of our Society. George Fox considered it vitally important to establish Friends' Schools where children should be taught the 'natural tongues and arts and whatsoever things are civil and useful in creation; but beyond this, all must come to the Spiritual School of Christ'. In the so-called progressive education of our own day, must Friends ever bear in mind these words of wisdom and realize anew that

the spiritual nature must be educated together with the intellectual and physical."

—*Philadelphia, Friends' General Conference.*

Kansas, Nebraska and California Yearly Meetings all report the past year the best one their respective colleges have ever had, and report growth and an improved financial condition. New England Yearly Meeting reports a reorganization of their two schools, Oak Grove and Moses Brown, and adds:—

"This action has been taken with the earnest resolve of our entire body that more than ever before these schools shall radiate the spirit of Christ."

Australia, says:—

"Our school at Hobart, Tasmania, under the head-mastership of Ernest E. Unwin, has had a very successful year, and we look forward to developments that will make it still more useful in the future. Knowing your firm belief in education, we ask for your loving interest in our pioneer school, which is making so valuable a contribution to the life of Tasmania and Australia."

It is encouraging indeed to find that six of the Epistles mention the activities of Young Friends. Here is a promise for the future. Says one:—

"We have good evidence of the activity and ability of the Young Friends' Movement. Their vesper services have been especially full of spirituality. An afternoon and evening have been given over to them and they tell us of George Fox, Earlham Conference and Woodbrooke and the future of the Young Friends' Movement.

—*Indiana, Friends' General Conference.*

Says another:—

"Our Young Friends are co-operating with the Young Friends' group of the other branch of Friends in a definite

program in support of the Fellowship of Youth for Peace. It is confidently expected that such co-operation will not only aid a worthy cause but that it will also bring into closer bonds of sympathy and love, the Young Friends of our two Baltimore Yearly Meetings.”

—*Baltimore, Friends' General Conference.*

But throbbing through the Epistles, by far the dominant note, is the conviction that Religion is Life, and the desire for the overcoming power of the Spirit of God, that we may do our part in ministering to the great human need of the present time. Listen to extract after extract:—

“Quakerism is a way of life and every one of us should live Quakerism to the core in order to teach it. Love and service are the leaders to peace which we all crave.”

—*Indiana, Friends' General Conference.*

“While claiming to believe in this supreme truth, (that ‘there is that of God in every man’) we must not fail to realize that belief is only the first round of the ladder, whose top will reach to heaven as belief rises into conviction and conviction into action.”

—*Philadelphia, Friends' General Conference.*

“We would urge that our voices speak, and that with utmost faithfulness our lives also speak.”

—*New York, Friends' General Conference.*

“In the consideration of the ‘State of the Society’ we have been brought into a deep sense of personal need. Our Meetings for Worship are not sources of power that they should be, and yet we feel that they should be the power houses. The fault is largely our own, for we do not come to our Meetings with a longing to be of service. The measure of our uplift is often the measure of our willingness to give. We offer so little; how can we expect any outpouring of God’s spirit?”

—*Australia.*

“If we are true to the leadings of this Inner Light it is sure to bring us into conflict with the present world order, but it will also bind us in humble service to our fellow-men.”

—*Bilthoven, Holland.*

“Let us hold fast that which is good and fight against the temptation to spiritual sloth which comes to a country secure in material prosperity.”

—*New England, held at Westerly, R. I.*

And still again:—

“In the reports on state of Society there was a noticeable abandoning of hackneyed phrases and generalities which conceal rather than reveal actual conditions. One concerned Friend warned us that ‘we really endanger other peoples’ souls when we use words which have no spiritual reality behind them.’ Pious phrases, ceremonies and creeds were likened to trenches dug in fear that the ground gained might be lost. The Friends’ principle calls us not to dig in but to keep going forward if we would not lose the spiritual experience we most highly prize. Better it is to be bewildered, to set out not knowing whither we go, if like Abraham we take God for our Guide, than it is to remain undisturbed where religion is centered on the idols of the past.”

—*New York, Five Years’ Meeting.*

No wonder that in searching for this reality one of the Epistles brings their Meetings for Worship under searching scrutiny:—

“Since we cherish the hope that our religious Society is called to lend a hand in bringing about a new and better world-order, we must turn the searchlight of Truth upon our Meetings for Worship, for upon them depends the future of our Society. Do we find in them a consciousness of the Presence of God? and a mind receptive of His Spirit? Do those who hunger and thirst

after righteousness receive in them food which satisfies their souls and strengthens them for service? Does the Christ in each one reach out to the Christ in others, so that all may be made perfect in one?"

—*Philadelphia, Friends' General Conference.*

From the London Epistle comes an answer, a great word for us of strength and courage:—

"Dear friends, the secret of this overcoming power lies in a first-hand experience of God, a lying open to the inflow of His Spirit. The measure of the inflow of the Divine is the measure of our growth and of our use to the world.

"Jesus Christ moves forward. With Him let us move forward also, and face each difficult problem of our present civilization in the power of the fellowship of the Spirit. This is the Call for Service to all who love their fellow-men."

On behalf of the Committee,

SUSAN J. DEWEES,

Chairman.

Philadelphia, Third Month 24, 1926.

**This Letter was Authorized to be Sent to the
Following:**

Foreign Meetings:—

General Meeting of Friends for Australia.

Annual Quaker Meeting, held at Bilthoven, Holland.

General Meeting of Friends for Scotland.

Dublin Yearly Meeting.

General Meeting of Friends, held at Fritchley,
England.

London Yearly Meeting.

American Yearly Meetings:—

New England Yearly Meeting, held at Westerly,
R. I.

Meetings belonging to the Five Years' Meeting:—

California.
 Canada.
 Kansas.
 Nebraska.
 New England.
 Baltimore.
 New York.
 Western.

Meetings belonging to Friends' General Conference:—

Baltimore.
 Genesee (Canada).
 Illinois.
 Indiana.
 New York.
 Philadelphia.

Dear Friends:

Inspiring messages have come to us at our Yearly Meeting from Friends all around the world. As we listened to extracts from letters sent us by these many Meetings, we were deeply impressed with the common needs and aspirations of our Society the world over. Many of the interests and concerns which find expression in these messages we believe are also in some measure our own. The need of unity in the love of Christ, the problems of the education and training of the youth, the claims of peace and of other great social and moral causes for which Friends stand, all have been earnestly presented in our sessions.

But throbbing through the various letters that have come to us, by far the dominant note, is the conviction that Religion is Life. Christianity depends upon the living, present personality of Jesus Christ, revealing Himself through men. This is the chief reason for our existence as a branch of the Christian church, that we may do our part, to our very utmost, in presenting

effectively to the world the simplicity, the love, and the transforming power of Jesus Christ in the lives of men.

The letters which we have received have helped us realize this truth. To those who have written them we send our grateful appreciation, because we too love Jesus Christ, and because we long to increase in the knowledge of Him and to be able more completely to demonstrate His love and power.

Signed by direction and on behalf of
The Religious Society of Friends
of Philadelphia and Vicinity.
Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

**Letters Sent to Other Yearly Meetings
and Groups of Friends.**

Fourth Month 1, 1926.

*To New Garden Quarterly and Winston-Salem Monthly
Meeting of Friends:*

Dear Friends:

We have been glad to welcome to this Yearly Meeting Hugh W. Moore, with a Minute from Winston-Salem Monthly Meeting, endorsed by New Garden Quarterly Meeting. This evidence of interest in our welfare has been encouraging to us. We believe that much enrichment results from the interchange of visits in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ between our sister Yearly Meetings.

With love, we remain your friends.

Signed on behalf of the Yearly Meeting.
Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

Fourth Month 1, 1926.

*To Plainfield Quarterly and Indianapolis Monthly Meeting
of Friends:*

Dear Friends:

Your friends and ours, Elden H. Mills and Florence H. Mills, carrying a Minute from Indianapolis Monthly

Meeting, endorsed by Plainfield Quarterly Meeting on Ministry, have been very acceptably in attendance at the sessions of our Yearly Meeting. We welcome the presence among us of these and other representatives of your Yearly Meeting and are desirous of aiding Elden H. and Florence H. Mills in the carrying out of any further service for Jesus Christ that they may feel called to within our limits. We ask them to convey to you a message of our love in Christ.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting.

Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

Separate letters were addressed to:—

German Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends.

Friends resident in Vienna.

Three Months' Meeting of Friends, Syria.

Japan Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Szechwan Yearly Meeting, West China.

Fourth Month 2, 1926.

To Szechwan Yearly Meeting of Friends, West China:

Dear Friends:

During the present sessions of our Yearly Meeting our hearts have been stirred by messages of greeting and goodwill from Friends in all parts of the world. We have been impressed by the varied problems which confront our fellow Christians who are seeking by their lives to carry hope and peace and comfort to people in distant lands as well as in our own.

To you, who on the other side of the world are carrying Christian ideals to vast communities of which we at home can have so little intimate knowledge, our warm sympathies and affectionate interest have gone out in an especial manner. By news reports and by private letters we have some feeble conception of the conditions which prevail at present in China. We rejoice that we may feel a share in your life and work through the active

participation of some of our own valued members. Them and all of you who are our Lord's ambassadors, we would commend to His keeping, asking that, if consistent with His will and in His own time, He may bless your labors, and that the great nation whose interests you have made your own may come with all its intelligence and its great virtues to acknowledge the name of Him at whose feet every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that He is Lord indeed.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity.

Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

Fourth Month 2, 1926.

To Japan Yearly Meeting of Friends:

Dear Friends:

The message of love and fellowship from you has been read in the opening session of our Yearly Meeting, and on hearing that your Meeting is to convene before the close of ours, we have sent you by cable a brief word of greeting.

The desire was voiced by many that you might share the deep sense of spiritual unity that came over our Meeting during the reading of letters from groups of the Society of Friends near and far, bringing us to realize afresh that whatever may be the outward separation, we are indeed one in Christ Jesus our Lord.

We felt ourselves to be strengthened and encouraged by your forward-looking faith and endeavor for the coming of Christ's Kingdom, and are drawn to you in special sympathy in your labor for good-will amongst men at a time of more than common difficulty for which our own country, alas, is partly responsible. The way of Peace on Earth is not an easy way; to us and to you may strength and guidance be given as we strive to walk therein. We, like you, are in a changing world, perplexed by problems for ourselves and those about us. May we seek to meet each question in the spirit of our Blessed

Master, looking continually to Him for light and leadership, and remembering how He prayed for His followers, not that they should be taken out of the world, but kept from its evil.

That His promise of the Holy Spirit may be fulfilled among us is our earnest desire for ourselves and for you.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity.

Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

Fourth Month 2, 1926.

To Lebanon Three Months' Meeting of Friends, Syria:

Dear Christian Friends in Syria:

We have had you in our hearts during the recent troubled times and rejoice that in a period of strife you have been kept. We trust that your lives are for a testimony to a love that is deeper and more powerful than hate, for an understanding that helps to remove barriers of suspicion and fear.

We have been meeting together at Arch and Fourth Streets, in Philadelphia, and have been seeking that profounder love and loyalty that make place and time of lesser importance than the Spirit of the Christ who is eternal. In this Spirit we would face that Life that is graciously given to us of God, for it is that and not death with which we have to do. May that Life spring up within us triumphantly, to the overcoming of self-assertiveness, pride, and all seeds of war. We verily believe that bad moods, harshness, and little love are more destructive than outward fighting. May the upspringing life of our Lord, the Spirit within us, overcome these inward and outward perils.

We have been stimulated to these considerations of our calling by the reading of your message and we send our greetings to you after a week of communion upon kindred themes and truths.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity.

Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

Fourth Month 2, 1926.

German Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends:

Dear Friends:

Gathered in our annual sessions, we feel again drawn to address you in a salutation of brotherly love.

Your letter from Eisenach, in 1925, was presented in this meeting to our renewed satisfaction.

We are also especially glad to have with us in our present sessions your member, and our friend, Dr. Hans Albrecht of Hamburg, as a living epistle from you to us. This we believe is the first visitor to our gathering from your newly formed Yearly Meeting.

We also welcome in these last sittings of the Yearly Meeting, our friends Hans and Florence Gramm, just arrived from you. We rejoice in these fresh bonds of fellowship in Christ thus expressed between us. May such relations continue ever unbroken.

It has been cause for rejoicing that the Friends in Germany found themselves strong enough to form the closer fellowship of a Yearly Meeting during this past year; and not a few prayers have arisen that the blessing of our Heavenly Father might rest upon it in the new services for peace and love among men which must now be yours; and that you might be favored to work together "in the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace" to the great purposes of the Heavenly Kingdom in your land and the world.

We have this year received many letters from Yearly Meetings in different parts of the world, as well as of our own country,—a fact which has renewed in us the sense of the oneness of those everywhere, who as Friends of Christ and of humanity are laboring for good-will and brotherhood in the earth.

We have this year endeavored to promote the healing process for old wounds,—taking a step which we believe will bring more of the spirit of unity between ourselves and certain bodies of Friends in America, after nearly one hundred years of difference and estrangement. We crave that the good Spirit of our Heavenly Father may continue to create a true growth toward unity and love in every place, and that no new occasions may arise, either with us, or with you, or in any part of our heritage, to cause further such differences or divisions. This we believe will be accomplished as we learn to sink our own opinions in the light and love of God, and in the perception of His will, “not looking each of you to his own things,” but “each esteeming others better than themselves.”

Our Meeting has further been engaged in forming and adopting a new book of good counsels regarding “Faith and Practice” to take the place of our older “Book of Discipline.” This we believe expresses a broader attitude, and may further prepare the way for wider fellowship and extension of good-will.

Our efforts to improve relations of brotherhood with the Negro and Indian races in this country actively continue. Also efforts to promote international and Industrial peace, Prohibition, Religious Education, and other causes not a few, which we cannot mention in detail.

In all these things we earnestly desire to proceed in the Light and Love that brings blessing from on high, and to follow and loyally cleave to our Leader and Master, Jesus Christ, whose example, teaching and continued living Power, are our hope and stay. To these eternal verities we would now commend you, our dear brothers in faith and love, and remain,

Your friends in the Truth.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Religious
Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity.

Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

Fourth Month 2, 1926.

To Whom This May Come:

Greeting:

Our well-beloved friends Rufus M. and Elizabeth B. Jones, his wife, with their daughter Mary Hoxie Jones, members of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), have acquainted us with their prospect of visiting the Orient during the present year.

We bespeak for them your kind interest wherever they may come on their errand of peace and good-will.

Rufus M. Jones is a member of a neighboring Yearly Meeting (New England). He is a professor at Haverford College, Pennsylvania, and has been a resident and a highly esteemed religious teacher among us for many years.

Through his influence as a speaker on religious subjects, the many books which he has published, and the leadership which he has held in the American Friends' Relief work during and after the war, he has become well known as a Christian worker both at home and abroad.

Elizabeth B. Jones is an assistant clerk of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Friends, now in session in this city.

Issued by the aforesaid Yearly Meeting on the First-day of Fourth Month (April), 1926.

Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

Fourth Month 2, 1926.

To the Members of the Society of Friends in Vienna:

Dear Friends:

With deep sympathy and appreciation we respond to your letter of exhortation to a more perfect Christian example and to a fuller manifestation of Divine Love in our own lives. A fresh experience of Divine Guidance which came to us this year, has taught us increased obedience to the Head of the Church and has given us renewed faith to rely upon Him.

“The adventure and joy to be found in the service of Jesus Christ were constantly with us in our sessions. The greatness and the unexpectedness of the opportunities for service that always await us as we pursue the common tasks of business and of the household, the simplicity of the deeds of human helpfulness that open the hearts of men to God in the far distant countries of the world—these call us persuasively to our Father who is in Heaven.”

But with each added opportunity there comes a new responsibility for the use made of it. Surely, “to whom much is given, from him also much will be required.” Thus we have been led to consider afresh what is required of those who claim to be followers of Christ.

Messages from Friends in all parts of the world, reinforced by the presence of a number of visiting Friends among us, have made us keenly aware that it is not in isolation here or there that God is working out His will, but that over the whole earth little groups are seeking to bring in the Kingdom of God, by living in obedience to His command of Love.

Although distances are often great, and to human eyes we seem remote from one another, still the love of God is over all, and unites all, overcoming the distance and making us one.

May you be favored to live close to the Father of us all and to be obedient to His will.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity.

Clerks.

Secretary of the Yearly Meeting.

Report of the Auditing Committee.

To the Yearly Meeting:

We have examined the accounts of William T. Elkinton, Treasurer, for the fiscal year ended Third Month 15, 1926.

Vouchers or cancelled checks in his possession corresponded with the charges in the several accounts.

The total balance as of Third Month 15, 1926, was \$35,024.68. Of this amount \$2,000.00 were in the hands of the Secretary of the Yearly Meeting as a working balance, and \$33,024.68 were on deposit with the Provident Trust Company and represented balances as follows:

Uninvested Principal.....\$10,083.70

Income:

General Fund.....	\$6,697.43
Book Committee—General Ac-	
count	2,238.17
Account, Office of Secretary of	
Yearly Meeting.....	1,904.43
Account, Yearly Meeting of Wo-	
men Friends.....	644.59
Account, Cataloging Records.....	125.00
Anna Cresson Fund.....	1,516.52
Funds Available for Publication	
and Distribution of Friends'	
Writings.	1,714.93
Income belonging to other Trust	
Funds.....	8,099.91
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	\$22,940.98
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	\$33,024.68

[Signed] HENRY MARSHALL,
 JONATHAN M. STEERE.

We have examined the securities belonging to the respective Trusts, now in the hands of the Provident Trust Company, and have found them to agree with the list submitted to us, which we verified by comparing it with the list audited one year ago, and with the changes made in the investments during the year.

[Signed] ARTHUR N. LEEDS,
 PAUL W. BROWN.

Attached is a summary of the Treasurer's Account for the year ended Third Month 15, 1926, as presented to the Committee.

Summary Account.

WILLIAM T. ELKINTON, TREASURER

For the Year Ended Third Month 15, 1926.

TRANSACTIONS IN PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Third Month 17, 1925\$ 1,096.41

Investments Paid Off:

Anna Cresson Fund:

Sale of Rights to Subscribe to 24 Shares United Gas Improve- ment Company.....\$	818.16
United Gas Improvement Com- pany, Sale of 240 Shares.....	32,335.20
Amount of Interest Added to Principal of this Fund to Com- plete Balance of Purchase of Kansas City Terminal Rail- way, First Mortgage.	5.84
	<hr/> \$33,159.20

Ruth Anna Cope Fund:

North Springfield Water Company, First Mortgage 5 Per Cent. Bond.....	2,000.00
	<hr/> \$35,159.20
	<hr/> \$36,255.61

PAYMENTS.

INVESTMENTS PURCHASED AND CHARGED TO PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT:

Anna Cresson Fund:

Kansas City Terminal Railway Co., First Mortgage 4 Per Cent. Bonds.....\$	864.00
Kansas City Terminal Railway Co., First Mortgage 4 Per Cent. Bonds.....	4,297.50
Carried Forward—————	\$ 5,161.50

Brought Forward \$5,161.50

Kansas City Terminal Railway Co., First Mortgage 4 Per Cent. Bonds.....	3,438.00
American Telephone and Tele- graph Co., 35-year Debenture 5 Per Cent. Bonds.	9,970.00
Mortgage—1430 S. Patton St..	2,800.00
Mortgage—1432 S. Patton St..	2,800.00
Extra Tax on 200 Shares United Gas Improvement Co. Stock.	2.00
	<hr/> \$24,171.50

Ruth Anna Cope Fund:

Mortgage—2533 S. Marshall Street..... 2,000.00

Charles L. Willitts Trust:

Charge for Making Exchange of Baltimore
and Ohio Temporary Bonds for Perma-
nent.41

\$26,171.91

Balance of Uninvested Principal:

Anna Cresson Fund.....	\$ 9,027.70
Ruth Anna Cope Fund.....	70 38
Jesse George Fund.....	105.33
Mary A. Lloyd Fund.....	24.37
Anna Oleson Fund.....	8.75
Hannah Sansom Fund.....	28.75
Peace Association.....	72.21
Charleston Trust Fund.....	222.50
John Pemberton Fund.....	234.12
Charles L. Willitts Trust.....	289.59
	<hr/> \$10,083.70
	<hr/> \$36,255.61

TRANSACTIONS IN INCOME ACCOUNT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Third Month 17, 1925, in the Following Accounts:

General Account	\$ 9,460.33
Anna Cresson Fund.....	846.32
	<hr/> \$10,306.65

Quotas Directed to be Forwarded by Quarterly

Meetings	\$27,000.00
Transfer from Anna Cresson Fund.....	2,500.00
	<hr/> \$29,500.00

Income from Anna Cresson Fund..... 3,384.16

Income from Sarah Zane Legacy..... 52.00

Contributions to Travel Expense Fund..... 1,129.48

Payment from General Fund to Travel Expense Account. 378.71

Interest on Bank Balances..... 329.61

\$45,080.61

PAYMENTS.

Appropriations Authorized by the Yearly Meeting:

Indian Committee	\$ 5,000.00
Educational Committee	5,000.00
Peace Committee.....	1,500.00
Westtown Committee	7,500.00
	<hr/> \$19,000.00

Part of Annual Budget Designated by Yearly Meeting for
Operating Expenses:

For Office of Secretary of Yearly Meeting...	\$ 4,600.00
For Book Committee—General Account....	3,400.00
For Women's Yearly Meeting.....	500.00
	<hr/> 8,500.00

Expenses Incurred by the Representative Meeting:

Rent of 302 Arch Street, Use of Committee Rooms and Meeting House by Yearly Meeting and Representative Meeting and Committees Thereof	\$ 1,000.00
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Printing Copies of Proceedings . . . \$	497.91	
Printing Copies of Discipline	446.90	
Printing Certificate of Removal . .	24.72	
Discipline Committee, Publications in THE FRIEND	53.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,023.28
Appropriation Granted by Rep- resentative Meeting towards Pennsylvania Church Federa- tion for Organization \$	50.00	
Contribution Authorized by Rep- resentative Meeting towards Study Conferences on Churches and World Peace	80.00	
Expenses of Delegates in Attend- ing Study Conferences on Churches and World Peace	45.63	
Traveling Expenses of Friends At- tending Special Committee of Yearly Meeting on Capital Pun- ishment and Congress of World Alliances and Conference of Paci- fist Churches	49.74	
	<hr/>	225.37
Payment by General Fund to Travel Expense Account	378.71	
Refund of Expense Incurred by Secretary of the Yearly Meeting on Behalf of the Rep- resentative Meeting	344.18	
For Cataloguing Records	125.00	
		\$ 3,096.54
Appropriation from Anna Cresson Fund to Yearly Meet- ing Stock	2,500.00	
Traveling Expenses of a Member of our Yearly Meeting While on Religious Service	1,510.75	
Commission Paid to Provident Trust Company	51.69	
Interest Paid to Provident Trust Company on Bonds and Mortgages Purchased	207.68	

Balance on hand Third Month 15, 1926:

General Account:

In Treasurer's Account.....\$ 6,697.43

In Secretary of Yearly Meeting

Account..... 2,000.00

—————\$ 8,697.43

Anna Cresson Fund..... 1,516.52

—————\$10,213.95

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\$45,080.61

YEARLY MEETING OF WOMEN FRIENDS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Third Month 17, 1925\$ 454.59

Appropriation Granted by Yearly Meeting in 1925..... 500.00

—————
\$ 954.59

PAYMENTS.

Mary B. Test, for Use of Yearly Meeting Lunch Commit-

tee.....\$ 310.00

Balance on Hand Third Month 15, 1926..... 644.59

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\$ 954.59

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Third Month 17, 1925\$ 2,126.77

Allotment of Quota as per Budget..... 4,600.00

Services Rendered..... 216.17

Interest on Deposits 5.59

Individual Contributions Towards Indexing

Records\$ 1,037.50

Payment from General Account Towards Indexing Records.....	\$ 125.00	
Payment from Extension Committee Towards Indexing Records.....	187.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,350.00
		<hr/>
		\$ 8,298.53

PAYMENTS.

Salary.....	\$ 3,000.00	
Stenographic and Clerical Assistants	1,076.66	
Rent.....	240.00	
Office Supplies	545.71	
Telephone.....	85.59	
Hospitality and Travel.....	93.99	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	2.15	
	<hr/>	5,044.10
Expense of Indexing Records.....	1,225.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,269.10
Balance on hand Third Month 15, 1926:		
Secretary's Office	\$ 1,904.43	
Cataloguing Records Account	125.00	
	<hr/>	2,029.43
		<hr/>
		\$ 8,298.53

TRANSACTIONS OF BOOK COMMITTEE, INCLUDING
OPERATIONS OF BOOK STORE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Third Month 17, 1925:		
Book Committee—General Account.....	\$ 1,369.74	
Pennsbury Series	1,441.82	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,811.56
Funds Available for Publication of Friends' Writings....		992.43
Income from Funds Available for Publication of Friends' Writings:		
Ruth Anna Cope Fund.....	\$ 166.94	

Jesse George Fund.....	\$ 255.00
E. C. Jones Fund.....	50.00
Mary A. Lloyd Fund.....	25.00
Anna Oleson Fund.....	45.00
Hannah Sansom Fund.....	435.00
Elisha Roberts Fund.....	60.00
William P. Townsend Fund.....	24.00
	<hr/> \$ 1,060.94

Appropriation from Annual Budget
for Salary of Manager of Book
Store and Assistant\$ 3,400.00

Appropriation from Tract As-
sociation for Clerical Ser-
vice and Incidentals.....\$320.00

Miscellaneous Cash Receipts 193.90

	<hr/> 513.90
	<hr/> 3,913.90

PUBLICATION ACCOUNT:

Refund from Pennsbury Series for Account 1924	\$ 450.00
From Funds Available for Stand- ard Publications.....	1,163.71
	<hr/> 1,613.71
Book Committee—General Account:	
Transferred from Books Purchased.....	971.72

BOOKS SOLD:

Standard Publications.....	\$ 160.74
Pennsbury Series.....	490.70
Books Purchased for Re-sale.....	3,958.64
	<hr/> \$ 4,610.08
Merchandise Sold.....	360.50
	<hr/> 4,970.58
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	47.05
	<hr/> 12,577.90
	<hr/> \$16,381.89

PAYMENTS.

Salary of Manager of Book Store...	\$ 2,100.00	
Salary of Assistants.....	1,255.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,355.00
General Operating Expenses of Book Store....	892.57	
Insurance on Contents of Book Store.....	19.14	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	6.36	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,273.07
General Publications Approved by Representa- tive Meeting.....	1,613.71	
Pennsbury Series.....	\$ 1,126.02	
Books Purchased for Re-sale.....	2,986.92	
Merchandise Purchased.....	217.76	
One-sixth Cost of Religious Book Store Advertising, Authorized by Minute of Book Committee, Third Month 13, 1925.....	47.60	
	<hr/>	4,378.30
	<hr/>	5,992.01
Payment to Publication Account by:		
Jesse George Fund.....	263.71	
Hannah Sansom Fund.....	600.00	
Ruth Anna Cope Fund.....	300.00	
	<hr/>	1,163.71
Books Purchased Transferred to Book Committee—Gen- eral Account.....	971.72	
Commissions Paid to Provident Trust Company.....	15.22	
Accrued Interest Paid on Bond Purchased by Ruth Anna Cope Fund.....	13.06	
	<hr/>	\$12,428.79
Balance on hand Third Month 15, 1926:		
Book Committee—General Account.....	\$ 2,238.17	
Pennsbury Series.....	\$ 826.48	
Funds Available for Publication of Friends' Writings:		
Ruth Anna Cope Fund...	\$122.94	
Jesse George Fund.....	24.03	

E. C. Jones Fund	\$101.12		
Mary A. Lloyd Fund	111.37		
Anna Oleson Fund	90.59		
Hannah Sansom Fund	24.89		
E. Roberts Fund	176.90		
Wm. P. Townsend Fund	236.61		
		\$ 888.45	
		\$ 1,714.93	
		\$ 3,953.10	
			\$16,381.89

TRUST ACCOUNTS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Third Month 17, 1925	\$ 8,506.69	
Less Overdraft—Liberia Account	70.33	
		\$ 8,436.36
Income from Investments Belonging to Trust Funds, In- cluding Interest on Bank Balances:		
Peace Association	\$ 155.00	
Charleston Trust	558.33	
John Pemberton Fund	2,259.98	
Sarah Marshall and Mary M. Johnson Fund	167.00	
Mission Board	533.50	
Charles L. Willitts Trust	504.85	
		4,178.66
		\$12,615.02

PAYMENTS.

Peace Committee:

Appropriation for use of Peace Committee . . \$ 152.66

Charleston Trust:

Appropriation Granted to Friends
at Prosperity Monthly Meeting,
N. C. \$ 300.00

Appropriation Granted to Friends
at Cedar Square, N. C. 200.00

Appropriation Granted to Friends at Oak Grove, Tenn.....	\$ 300.00	
Appropriation Granted to Friends at Rocky River, N. C.....	300.00	
Appropriation Granted to Friends at Fairhope, Ala.....	150.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,250.00
John Pemberton Trust:		
Sundry Traveling Expenses of Friends At- tending Committees, Meetings, etc.....	2,039.56	
Sarah Marshall and Mary M. Johnson Trust:		
To Treasurer of Indian Committee.....	139.86	
Mission Board:		
To Treasurer of Mission Board.....	525.48	
Charles L. Willitts Trust:		
Printing <i>Africans' Friend</i>	\$ 241.00	
Postage and Labor	70.12	
	<hr/>	311.12
	<hr/>	\$ 4,418.68
Commissions Paid to Provident Trust Company.....	71.43	
Accrued Interest, Paid on Bond Purchased by Sarah Marshall and Mary M. Johnson Fund.....	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,515.11
Balance on hand Third Month 15, 1926:		
Charleston Trust	\$ 255.39	
John Pemberton Trust	7,532.04	
Southern States Account.....	215.66	
Liberia Account	96.82	
	<hr/>	8,099.91
	<hr/>	\$12,615.02

Minute

APPOINTING FRIENDS' FIDUCIARY CORPORATION AS TRUSTEE OF THE YEARLY MEETING FUNDS, SUBJECT TO THE CONTROL AND DIRECTION OF THE REPRESENTATIVE MEETING (EXCEPTING THE CHARLESTON PROPERTY).

Dated Third Month 30, 1926.

WHEREAS the Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity, which holds its sessions at Fourth and Arch Streets in said City, herein-after called the Yearly Meeting, on the 15th day of the Fourth Month, 1912, (confirming and adopting the action of its executive or interim body, known as and hereinafter called the Representative Meeting, which action is set forth in a minute thereof adopted Fourth Month 12th, 1912), appointed William T. Elkinton, John Way and J. Snowdon Rhoads, as Trustees, to take and hold until their successors should be appointed, the title to any and all property, real and personal, then or thereafter belonging to the Yearly Meeting, which was then or might thereafter be in the custody of the Treasurer; and further directed that said Trustees should constitute a Finance Committee of the Yearly Meeting, which should advise with and assist the Treasurer in all matters connected with investments and reinvestments, and their care and custody; the Funds then existing, to hold which said Trustees were appointed, being as follows: Sarah Zane Fund, Ruth Anna Cope Fund, Mary Ann Lloyd Fund, Hannah Sansom Fund, Jesse George Fund, Edward C. Jones Fund, Sarah Marshall and Mary M. Johnson Fund, William P. Townsend Fund, Elisha Roberts Fund, and General Fund, which last mentioned Fund has since been closed out;

AND WHEREAS the Yearly Meeting, at its session held Third Month 27th, 1916, (confirming the action of the Representative Meeting set forth in a minute thereof

adopted Twelfth Month 17th, 1915), appointed Alexander C. Wood, as an additional Trustee, and member of the Finance Committee of the Yearly Meeting;

AND WHEREAS the Representative Meeting, which for many years previously, had had under its control and management three Trust Funds known as the John Pemberton Bequest, the Charleston Meeting Estate, and the Charles L. Willits Legacy, did, at its session held on the 17th day of the Twelfth Month, 1915, appoint the said Alexander C. Wood, William T. Elkinton, John Way and J. Snowdon Rhoads, as Trustees, to hold the title to, and to have the custody of, the securities and other property composing or belonging to the said John Pemberton Bequest, Charleston Meeting Estate, and Charles L. Willits Legacy, in the place of the three separate boards of trustees which prior to that time had, respectively, acted as Trustees thereof;

AND WHEREAS the said Alexander C. Wood subsequently departed this life;

AND WHEREAS certain other Trust Funds have, since the above recited action of the Yearly Meeting and Representative Meeting, become vested in the said William T. Elkinton, John Way and J. Snowdon Rhoads, as surviving Trustees of the Yearly Meeting, namely: Anna Cresson Fund, Anna Oleson Fund and Funds of the Mission Board of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Friends;

AND WHEREAS, since the above recited action, Friends' Fiduciary Corporation (incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania), hereinafter called the Fiduciary Corporation, has been created, for the purpose of acting as trustee, when deemed advisable, of the Trust Funds belonging to the Yearly Meeting, to its subordinate Meetings or to allied organizations;

AND WHEREAS the said William T. Elkinton, John Way and J. Snowdon Rhoads, surviving Trustees as aforesaid, have requested to be released from the trusteeship of all of said Trust Funds of the Yearly Meeting, except the

Charleston Meeting Estate, and it is deemed advisable to appoint the Fiduciary Corporation as Trustee in their place upon the trusts and terms hereinafter set forth;

AND WHEREAS the said William T. Elkinton, John Way and J. Snowdon Rhoads have requested to be released from their office as a Finance Committee as above mentioned and it is deemed advisable to discontinue said Committee and to place the control and management of the said Trust Funds of the Yearly Meeting in the care of the Representative Meeting and of the committees and agents to whom the Representative Meeting may from time to time delegate such powers;

NOW THEREFORE, the Yearly Meeting hereby appoints the Fiduciary Corporation to be the Trustee, in place and stead of the said surviving individual Trustees, of the above mentioned Funds, except the Charleston Meeting Estate, viz:

Sarah Zane Fund
 Ruth Anna Cope Fund
 Mary Ann Lloyd Fund
 Hannah Sansom Fund
 Jesse George Fund
 Edward C. Jones Fund
 Sarah Marshall and Mary M. Johnson Fund
 William P. Townsend Fund
 Elisha Roberts Fund
 John Pemberton Fund
 Charles L. Willits Fund
 Anna Cresson Fund
 Anna Oleson Fund
 Funds of the Mission Board of Philadelphia
 Yearly Meeting of Friends,

and hereby directs the said surviving Trustees to grant, convey, assign and transfer to the Fiduciary Corporation all the real estate, ground rents, mortgages, registered bonds, shares of stock, and all other property, real and personal, now held by said surviving Trustees and be-

longing to the Trust Funds for which said Corporation is now appointed Trustee; and this Meeting hereby authorizes the Fiduciary Corporation to take and receive the title of the said property, and of all other property which may hereafter belong to the Trust Funds for which it is now appointed Trustee, IN TRUST nevertheless as hereinafter set forth, to wit:—

IN TRUST to hold the legal title of the same for the use and benefit of the Yearly Meeting, subject to the control and direction of the Representative Meeting or its duly authorized Committees or agents as hereinafter set forth;

IN TRUST, to deliver the custody of such ground rents, mortgages, bonds, shares of stock and other personal property as the Representative Meeting shall from time to time direct to such person, persons, corporation or corporations as the Representative Meeting shall direct. It is understood that if the custody of any of said securities or personal property shall be delivered by the Fiduciary Corporation to any person or corporation in accordance with the direction of the Representative Meeting the Fiduciary Corporation shall be relieved of all responsibility attaching to the care and custody of the securities and property so delivered;

IN TRUST to permit the Representative Meeting or its duly authorized committee or committees, agent or agents, to have charge of the investment, the collection of income and the management of said Trust Funds. It is understood that the Representative Meeting may, at its discretion, delegate to the Fiduciary Corporation such powers and duties as it may deem advisable regarding the investment, collection of income and management of said Trust Funds, upon such terms as may be mutually agreed upon by the Representative Meeting and the Fiduciary Corporation.

IN TRUST to convey, lease, assign and transfer any or all of the property, real or personal, belonging to said Trust Funds to such person, persons, corporation or corporations, for such estate, or estates, and for such uses

and purposes, as the Representative Meeting shall from time to time direct and appoint.

IT IS THE INTENT of this Minute that, except as further powers may be granted it by the Representative Meeting, the Fiduciary Corporation is to be Trustee of the legal title, merely, of the property, real and personal, belonging to said Trust Funds, and the Yearly Meeting directs that the custody, investment, collection of income, payment of expenses, sale, conveyance, transfer and the control and management, in general, of the property, real or personal, belonging to said Trust Funds, shall be and hereby are placed in the care of the Representative Meeting; and it is further directed that the Representative Meeting is hereby authorized to delegate its aforesaid powers and duties, from time to time, in whole or in part, to such committee or committees, person or persons, corporation or corporations, including the Fiduciary Corporation, and upon such terms, as the Representative Meeting may think best.

IT IS FURTHER DIRECTED that the appropriation and disbursement of the income and principal of said Trust Funds for the purposes of the Trusts shall be controlled and directed by such committees or persons as are now authorized or shall from time to time be authorized by the Yearly Meeting or the Representative Meeting to exercise such control and direction.

AND IT IS HEREBY FURTHER PROVIDED that the appointment of the Fiduciary Corporation, Trustee, as aforesaid, may be revoked and the Trusts hereby created may be terminated, at any time, by the Representative Meeting or by the Yearly Meeting.

THE YEARLY MEETING FURTHER DIRECTS that the legal title of all of the property, real and personal, belonging to the said Charleston Meeting Estate shall remain as heretofore in the said William T. Elkinton, John Way and J. Snowdon Rhoads, surviving Trustees, as aforesaid, but that the Representative Meeting shall have the same powers of control and management of the

said property of the Charleston Meeting Estate, with the same authority to delegate such powers, as are given to it above with reference to Funds of which the Fiduciary corporation is made Trustee.

IT IS INTENDED that the term, Representative Meeting, as used in this Minute, shall be understood to mean the Representative Meeting as duly appointed and constituted from time to time.

AND IT IS HEREBY FURTHER PROVIDED that a copy of any minute adopted by the Representative Meeting, duly certified by its Clerk or Secretary, shall be deemed sufficient proof, under this Minute, of the action of the Representative Meeting recorded in the minute so certified.

AND IT IS HEREBY FURTHER PROVIDED that until the arrangements contemplated by this Minute are completed by action of the Representative Meeting and the Fiduciary Corporation the said William T. Elkinton, John Way and J. Snowdon Rhoads shall continue to act as Trustees and as a Finance Committee as heretofore.

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